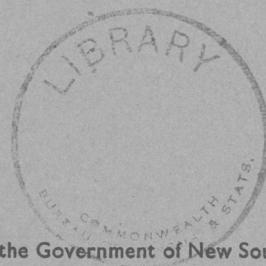


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Period	Employment : Wage and Salary Earners (excluding rural workers, females in private domestic service, and defence forces)*			Wages and Salaries Paid (Weekly Average)*	New Houses and Flats : Private and Government	
	Males	Females	Persons		Approved	Completed
	Number at end of period—thousands			£ thousand	Number of Dwelling Units	
<b>Year :</b> 1938-39	529.9	168.0	697.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1945-46	618.5	242.3	860.8	4,966	n.a.	5,500‡
1946-47	671.8	252.1	923.9	5,838	28,327	12,344
1947-48	702.3	261.9	964.2	6,976	29,676	15,415
1948-49	721.4†	269.9†	991.3†	8,133	33,117	18,758
1949-50	740.8	278.5	1,019.3	9,018	35,029	19,841
1950-51	758.2	291.0	1,049.2	11,385	37,988	20,737p
1951-52	754.4	270.5	1,024.9	14,364	24,419	24,498p
<b>1952 :</b> Jan.	762.8	287.2	1,050.0	14,083	1,193	6,323p
Feb.	763.8	285.1	1,048.9		1,324	
Mar.	764.1	282.4	1,046.5		1,812	
Apr.	760.9	277.1	1,038.0		1,831	
May	756.4	274.3	1,030.7		1,410	
June	754.4	270.5	1,024.9		1,321	
July	748.2	267.9	1,016.1		1,669	
Aug.	741.1	265.3	1,006.4		1,475	
Sept.	735.3	263.8	999.1		1,707	
Oct.	730.3	263.6	993.9		1,553	
Nov.	728.8	264.0	992.8		1,780	
Dec.	727.1	264.5	991.6		1,841	
<b>1953 :</b> Jan.	723.9	262.3	986.2	n.y.a.	1,736	6,519p
Feb.	728.6	265.2	993.8		2,175	
Mar.	732.5	266.4	998.9		2,457	
Apr.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.		n.y.a.	

Table No. :-	30.	36.		40.		42.
Period	Wool Sold at Auction *	Oversea Trade (Merchandise only)		Major Private Trading Banks*		Savings Bank Deposits
		Imports	Exports	Deposits	Advances	
	£ thousand	£A million, f.o.b.		At end of period—£ million		
<b>Year :</b> 1938-39	15,521	49.9	37.7	117.1	120.5	87.5
1945-46	23,621†	86.1	76.4	237.2	90.6	236.2
1946-47	32,910	93.0	116.5	244.3	116.5	231.4
1947-48	52,972	150.4	134.7	265.4	142.9	237.0
1948-49	67,331	177.2	176.6	301.3	150.4	244.5
1949-50	107,714	214.0	216.6	394.0	166.2	258.9
1950-51	228,204	301.7	325.6	467.9	197.9	284.5
1951-52	105,261	426.8	193.9	413.6	276.0	304.5
<b>1952 :</b> Jan.	16,085	51.0	19.4	453.1	252.7	295.3
Feb.	14,167	39.6	17.7	452.4	259.6	296.9
Mar.	7,933	31.1	20.8	453.5	262.2	297.7
Apr.	3,226	35.1	15.8	451.4	263.8	299.3
May	5,066	29.5	12.2	431.8	266.3	299.0
June	6,555	23.7	10.1	413.6	276.0	304.5
July	472	18.1	15.5	393.1	280.9	307.1
Aug.	402	16.3	9.1	389.2	274.1	308.6
Sept.	19,288	18.0	13.1	386.6	271.3	310.0
Oct.	21,550	18.4	24.2	395.0	268.9	312.8
Nov.	19,455	15.1	27.0	409.4	266.1	312.2
Dec.	13,433	14.9	26.6	424.1	258.9	312.3
<b>1953 :</b> Jan.	11,267	19.3	19.8	434.1	246.5	311.8
Feb.	18,820	17.7	22.1	448.9	243.5	312.7
Mar.	17,850	18.0	28.6	461.0	238.4	313.8
Apr.	6,169	n.y.a.	22.6	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	313.3

\* See notes to relevant table. † May, 1949; June affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

† Houses only.

‡ Includes equalisation payments.

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13.		17.		22.		22.		Table No.	
N.S.W. Government Railways		New Cars, Taxis, Buses and Lorries, etc. Registered		Coal Production		Electricity Generated		Ingot Steel Production	
Passenger Journeys	Goods (ex- cluding live- stock) Carried								Period
Millions	Thousand tons	Number	Thousand tons	Mill. kWh.	Thousand tons				
186.7	14,679	28,335	11,196	1,948	1,168**	1938-39: Year			
267.4	15,872	3,814	10,030	2,832	1,054**	1945-46			
261.6	16,539	13,608	11,212	3,229	1,312**	1946-47			
263.0	17,407	26,200	11,780	3,546	1,343**	1947-48			
263.1	16,903	37,665	11,736	3,717	1,129	1948-49			
258.2	15,890	61,656	11,290	3,758	1,266	1949-50			
268.6	17,131	76,172	12,683	4,241	1,405	1950-51			
268.2	18,528	67,448	14,800	4,636	1,473	1951-52			
22.6	1,301	4,690	806	367	137	Jan. : 1952			
21.0	1,457	4,788	1,271	371	126	Feb.			
24.3	1,682	5,710	1,352	389	135	Mar.			
21.9	1,532	5,109	1,218	379	115	Apr.			
22.1	1,647	4,912	1,339	407	89	May			
23.0	1,444	3,987	1,167	405	96	June			
21.2	1,641	4,156	1,480	442	143	July			
22.0	1,525	3,393	1,217	423	149	Aug.			
23.3	1,572	3,692	1,421	401	148	Sept.			
22.4	1,606	4,516	1,457	415	162	Oct.			
22.2	1,491	4,667	1,273	400	151	Nov.			
23.0	1,405	4,792	1,019	413	148	Dec.			
22.1	1,322	3,267	843	394r	153	Jan. : 1953			
21.4	1,394	3,879	1,186pr	387r	141	Feb.			
24.0	1,571	4,661	1,228pr	439	160	Mar.			
n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	1,054p	n.y.a.	155	Apr.			

41.		45.		46.		51.		53.		54.		Table No.	
Trading Banks : Debits to Customers' Accounts.*		Sydney Stock Exchange		Real Estate Transfers and Conveyances		Wholesale Prices (Aust.) Index *		Retail Prices : "C" Series All Items (Sydney) Index *		Basic Wage, Sydney		Period	
		Share Values								Adult Males *			
Weekly Average —£ million.	Index *	£ thousand	Average 1936-37 to 1938-39 = 100	Wtd. Av. for 6 Capitals in 1923-27 = 1000	s. per week								
n.a.	175.6	35,272	101	928	81††	1938-39 : Year							
n.a.	210.2	35,660	141	1151	99††	1945-46							
58	240.0	57,899	143	1182	106††	1946-47							
69	262.6	60,202	159	1259	114††	1947-48							
83	258.2	62,229	181	1378	124††	1949-49							
105	270.0	125,952	205	1504	135††	1949-50							
145	334.1	192,311	246	1729	173††	1950-51							
157	301.0	179,581	300	2140	216††	1951-52							
146	296.6	12,676	292	2167	207	Jan. : 1952							
155	281.9	13,659	304		216	Feb.							
152	271.9	13,470	308		216	Mar.							
153	257.7	12,220	312		216	Apr.							
156	260.1	13,499	318	2284	223	May							
158	256.7	11,399	321		223	June							
149	259.7	13,284	327		223	July							
130	258.5	10,758	325	2298	235	Aug.							
143	253.2	11,329	321		235	Sept.							
153	249.0	13,135	314		235	Oct.							
160	247.6	9,194	313	2312	237	Nov.							
174	246.7	11,429	319		237	Dec.							
125	253.6	9,951	317	2338	237	Jan. : 1953							
156	255.0	11,630	315		238	Feb.							
162	255.6	13,072	316p		238	Mar.							
150	252.5	12,519	321p		238	Apr.							

|| Year ended 31st December, 1939.

\*\* Year ended 31st May.

†† Operative from February.

## EMPLOYMENT IN NEW SOUTH WALES

(1) Particulars in Tables 2 and 3 are estimates based on the National Register of 1939, the Civilian Register of 1943, and the Occupation Survey of 1945, and returns supplied monthly by employers for purposes of Commonwealth pay-roll taxation and by governmental authorities.

(2) The Pay-roll Tax returns show the number of employees whose names appeared on the last pay-roll of the month, irrespective of whether they were actually working at the end of the month.

(3) Workers in rural industry, females in private domestic service, members of the full time defence forces at home or abroad, and National Service Trainees in camp are excluded.

(4) Further investigation may show the need for some revision in the monthly aggregates. It is not anticipated, however, that any such revision will affect the trends shown by the figures in Table 2. Some revision will be necessary in the totals and trends in employment for individual industries (particularly manufacturing) in Table 3. Estimates of employment by various classes of factory are in process of revision.

(5) Owing to the incidence of call-ups for short periods of National Service Training since August, 1951, and to other variations in numbers of personnel in the Services, some aspects of the changes in numbers of total civilian employees should be considered in conjunction with changes in numbers of defence personnel who are omitted from the figures in Tables 2 and 3, viz., (i) members of the full-time defence forces, and (ii) National Service Trainees in camp. Particulars of (i) are not available for New South Wales, but the number of National Service Trainees in camp in New South Wales at the end of each month since August, 1951, was as follows:—

Year	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Thousands												
1951 .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3·6	3·6	3·6	0·7	1·0
1952 .....	4·2	4·4	4·5	4·5	4·5	4·9	1·1	5·2	5·5	5·5	1·6	1·1
1953 .....	5·0	5·0	4·3									

### 2. Wage and Salary Earners in Civil Employment

(Excluding Rural Workers, Females in Private Domestic Service, and Defence Forces)

Month	Government Authorities*			Private Employment			Total Employment		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1939 : July	136.5	19.4	155.9	393.4	148.6	542.0	529.9	168.0	697.9
1943 : July	156.9	46.1	203.0	365.2	207.7	572.9	522.1	253.8	775.9
1945 : Aug.	155.6	42.8	198.4	386.4	205.3	591.7	542.0	248.1	790.1
1946 : June	169.0	33.4	202.4	449.5	208.9	658.4	618.5	242.3	860.8
1947 : June	178.2	32.3	210.5	493.6	219.8	713.4	671.8	252.1	923.9
1948 : June	186.1	33.6	219.7	516.2	228.3	744.5	702.3	261.9	964.2
1949 : May†	193.8	35.7	229.5	527.6	234.2	761.8	721.4	269.9	991.3
1950 : June	202.7	39.1	241.8	538.1	239.4	777.5	740.8	278.5	1,019.3
1951 : Mar.	66.7	41.1	247.8	545.5	247.7	793.2	752.2	288.8	1,041.0
Apr.	67.8	41.3	249.1	548.1	248.9	797.0	755.9	290.2	1,046.1
May	207.7	41.3	249.0	550.2	249.7	799.9	757.9	291.0	1,048.9
June	207.2	41.4	248.6	551.0	249.6	800.6	758.2	291.0	1,049.2
July	208.2	41.7	249.9	550.2	249.5	799.7	758.4	291.2	1,049.6
Aug.	207.5	41.8	249.3	551.2	250.8	802.0	758.7	292.6	1,051.3
Sept.	205.5	40.9	246.4	551.0	251.9	802.9	756.5	292.8	1,049.3
Oct.	205.9	41.1	247.0	552.6	252.6	805.2	758.5	293.7	1,052.2
Nov.	206.9	41.4	248.3	558.1	253.8	811.9	765.0	295.2	1,060.2
Dec.	208.2	41.2	249.4	556.4	252.2	808.6	764.6	293.4	1,058.0
1952 : Jan.	207.8	41.6	249.4	555.0	245.6	800.6	762.8	287.2	1,050.0
Feb.	209.6	42.2	251.8	554.2	242.9	797.1	763.8	285.1	1,048.9
Mar.	210.5	42.1	252.6	553.6	240.3	793.9	764.1	282.4	1,046.5
Apr.	212.5	42.2	254.7	548.4	234.9	783.3	760.9	277.1	1,038.0
May	213.7	42.0	255.7	542.7	232.3	775.0	756.4	274.3	1,030.7
June	214.0	41.9	255.9	540.4	228.6	769.0	754.4	270.5	1,024.9
July	214.3	41.8	256.1	533.9	226.1	760.0	748.2	267.9	1,016.1
Aug.	213.1	41.3	254.4	528.0	224.0	752.0	741.1	265.3	1,006.4
Sept.	211.5	40.6	252.1	523.8	223.2	747.0	735.3	263.8	999.1
Oct.	207.1	39.8	246.9	523.2	223.8	747.0	730.3	263.6	993.9
Nov.	205.5	39.6	245.1	523.3	224.4	747.7	728.8	264.0	992.8
Dec.	205.0	39.0	244.0	522.1	225.5	747.6	727.1	264.5	991.6
1953 : Jan.	201.3	39.0	240.3	522.6	223.3	745.9	723.9	262.3	986.2
Feb.	203.7	39.6	243.3	524.9	225.6	750.5	728.6	265.2	993.8
Mar.	205.0	39.4	244.4	527.5	227.0	754.5	732.5	266.4	998.9

\* Employees of Commonwealth, State, local, and allied governmental authorities.

† June, 1949, affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

**3. Wage and Salary Earners : Employment by Principal Industrial Groups\***  
**(Excluding Rural Workers, Females in Private Domestic Service, and Defence Forces)**

Month	Mining and Quarrying	Factories †	Building and Con- struction	Transport and Com- munication	Finance and Property	Wholesale Trade, etc.	Retail Trade	Professional and Personal Services ‡
	Thousands							
MALES								
1939 : July	24.7	158.8	57.9	77.4	..... 59.0 .....	44.0	56.6	
1943 : July	25.1	217.8	30.1	79.9	10.5 22.9	28.7	39.6	
1945 : Aug.	24.9	216.9	32.3	86.7	11.4 24.9	30.5	46.5	
1946 : June	25.8	236.3	44.1	96.8	16.5 33.4	40.6	56.1	
1948 : June	28.1	265.2	60.1	107.9	19.5 39.8	49.3	64.7	
1950 : June	28.1	277.2	67.9	114.4	21.2 45.2	50.3	67.2	
1951 : June	29.6	282.4	73.1	114.1	21.8 47.9	51.0	67.2	
1952 : June	31.6	274.7	76.1	115.2	22.0 47.3	49.0	67.2	
1951 : Oct.	30.0	282.5	74.9	112.0	21.8 48.7	50.8	66.9	
Nov.	30.2	284.4	76.3	112.6	21.8 50.2	51.7	66.8	
Dec.	30.1	283.7	74.9	113.4	21.9 49.6	53.2	67.0	
1952 : Jan.	30.1	283.9	74.8	114.2	21.8 49.0	50.8	67.2	
Feb.	30.6	283.6	75.7	113.9	21.9 48.7	50.4	67.6	
Mar.	30.8	282.8	75.3	114.8	22.1 48.9	50.0	67.9	
1952 : Oct.	32.3	265.4	66.3	112.2	21.8 46.6	47.9	66.4	
Nov.	32.0	264.7	64.5	112.6	21.8 46.6	48.8	66.3	
Dec.	31.7	263.9	62.9	112.7	22.0 46.5	49.8	66.3	
1953 : Jan.	31.6	265.0	60.1	112.9	22.0 46.3	48.7	66.6	
Feb.	31.5	267.4	62.0	113.0	22.1 46.7	48.6	66.8	
Mar.	31.3	270.3	62.3	113.0	22.2 46.7	48.7	67.3	
FEMALES								
1939 : July	0.1	59.3	0.5	4.2	..... 8.5 .....	36.0	49.1	
1943 : July	0.2	94.6	0.7	12.9	9.9 10.7	38.5	65.9	
1945 : Aug.	0.2	86.0	0.7	14.6	10.6 10.8	37.8	70.3	
1946 : June	0.2	82.3	0.9	13.0	10.1 10.9	39.1	73.3	
1948 : June	0.2	90.2	1.1	13.9	10.9 12.9	43.0	79.6	
1950 : June	0.3	97.2	1.3	15.3	12.6 14.3	43.7	83.1	
1951 : June	0.3	102.0	1.5	16.1	13.9 16.0	45.9	83.9	
1952 : June	0.4	84.2	1.7	15.7	14.6 15.7	42.8	83.6	
1951 : Oct.	0.3	103.5	1.6	16.1	14.1 16.7	45.9	84.5	
Nov.	0.3	102.5	1.6	16.4	14.2 17.0	47.4	84.7	
Dec.	0.3	100.1	1.7	16.2	14.2 16.7	48.7	84.3	
1952 : Jan.	0.3	96.3	1.7	16.2	14.6 16.6	45.7	84.2	
Feb.	0.3	94.5	1.7	16.3	14.6 16.4	44.7	84.9	
Mar.	0.3	92.3	1.7	16.1	14.7 16.6	44.1	85.0	
1952 : Oct.	0.4	82.3	1.7	14.5	14.2 15.3	41.0	82.6	
Nov.	0.3	82.7	1.8	14.3	14.1 15.5	41.5	82.1	
Dec.	0.3	81.6	1.7	14.0	14.1 15.1	43.8	82.3	
1953 : Jan.	0.3	81.6	1.7	14.1	14.3 15.1	41.5	82.1	
Feb.	0.3	84.2	1.7	14.1	14.4 15.2	41.2	82.6	
Mar.	0.3	85.3	1.7	14.1	14.4 15.2	41.1	82.8	
PERSONS								
1939 : July	24.8	218.1	58.4	81.6	..... 67.5 .....	80.0	105.7	
1943 : July	25.3	312.4	30.8	92.8	20.4 33.6	67.2	105.5	
1945 : Aug.	25.1	302.9	33.0	101.3	22.0 35.7	68.3	116.8	
1946 : June	26.0	318.6	45.0	109.8	26.6 44.3	79.7	129.4	
1948 : June	28.3	355.4	61.2	121.8	30.4 52.7	92.3	144.3	
1950 : June	28.4	374.4	69.2	129.7	33.8 59.5	94.0	150.3	
1951 : June	29.9	384.4	74.6	130.2	35.7 63.9	96.9	151.1	
1952 : June	32.0	358.9	77.8	130.9	36.6 63.0	91.8	150.8	
1951 : Oct.	30.3	386.0	76.5	128.1	35.9 65.4	96.7	151.4	
Nov.	30.5	386.9	77.9	129.0	36.0 67.2	99.1	151.5	
Dec.	30.4	383.8	76.6	129.6	36.1 66.3	101.9	151.3	
1952 : Jan.	30.4	380.2	76.5	130.4	36.4 65.6	96.5	151.4	
Feb.	30.9	378.1	77.4	130.2	36.5 65.1	95.1	152.5	
Mar.	31.1	375.1	77.0	130.9	36.8 65.5	94.1	152.9	
1952 : Oct.	32.7	347.7	68.0	126.7	36.0 61.9	88.9	149.0	
Nov.	32.3	347.4	66.3	126.9	35.9 62.1	90.3	148.4	
Dec.	32.0	345.5	64.6	126.7	36.1 61.6	93.6	148.6	
1953 : Jan.	31.9	346.6	61.8	127.0	36.3 61.4	90.2	148.7	
Feb.	31.8	351.6	63.7	127.1	36.5 61.9	89.8	149.4	
Mar.	31.6	355.6	64.0	127.1	36.6 61.9	89.8	150.1	

\* See notes preceding Table 2. Miscellaneous groups (70,700 males, 11,500 females, 82,200 persons in March, 1953) are omitted from this table. † From July, 1949, subject to revision. ‡ Includes Education, Health, Law, Hotels and Restaurants, and other Professional and Personal Services.

#### 4. Wages and Salaries Paid and Average Earnings, N.S.W.\*

Year.	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average †	Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit ‡	Quarter	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average				Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit			
				†				‡			
				1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53
	£ thousand	£		£ thousand				£	£	£	£
1945-46	4,966	6.57		8,013	10,024	13,387	14,934	8.84	10.27	13.26	15.23
1946-47	5,838	6.81	Sept. Qr.	9,428	11,233	14,988	15,729	9.87	11.37	14.75	16.24
1947-48	6,976	7.73	Dec. Qr.								
1948-49	8,133	8.73	Mar. Qr.	8,890	11,413	14,083		9.22	11.41	13.94	
1949-50	9,018	9.50	June Qr.	9,740	12,869	14,998		10.04	12.78	15.02	
1950-51	11,385	11.46									
1951-52	14,364	14.24									

\* Includes Australian Capital Territory.

† Excludes pay of members of the armed forces.

‡ Total wages divided by total civil employment expressed in male units. Male units equals the number of males plus a proportion of females, based on the approximate ratio of average female earnings to average male earnings.

#### 5. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales\*: Amount of Benefits Paid and Admissions to Unemployment Benefit

Period	Number Admitted to Unemployment Benefit during Period			Amount of Benefits Paid during Period				
	Males	Females	Persons	Unemploy-ment	Sickness		Special †	Total
					£	£		
Year : 1945-46‡	38,592	10,197	48,789	275,205	198,943	1,068	475,216	
1946-47	12,297	407	12,704	172,141	258,782	6,772	437,695	
1947-48	3,234	282	3,516	60,499	302,987	14,434	377,920	
1948-49	2,092	165	2,257	23,279	302,298	53,925	379,502	
1949-50‡	103,599	23,901	127,500	1,064,698	307,315	176,698	1,548,711	
1950-51	5,605	601	6,206	25,324	296,418	50,303	372,045	
1951-52	7,680	3,258	10,938	55,135	262,244	33,502	350,881	
1952 : April	700	494	1,194	6,096	22,483	3,421	32,000	
May	1,558	872	2,430	9,856	21,751	2,812	34,419	
June	2,941	925	3,866	21,360	24,355	3,452	49,167	
July	4,271	1,125	5,396	34,070	19,138	3,430	56,638	
August	9,448	1,796	11,244	56,949	23,511	4,026	84,486	
September	7,371	1,117	8,488	100,804	24,011	5,760	130,575	
October	8,220	1,060	9,280	191,158	39,126	5,097	235,381	
November	9,112	1,284	10,396	248,249	46,323	9,935	304,507	
December	6,783	1,002	7,785	330,172	60,316	7,144	397,632	
1953 : January	8,403	934	9,337	338,124	55,168	5,612	398,904	
February	5,350	864	6,214	382,754	56,267	6,041	445,062	
March	4,408	687	5,095	279,086	48,812	4,312	332,210	
April	4,036	590	4,626	234,925	48,066	4,117	287,108	

\* Including Australian Capital Territory.

† Including payments to immigrants during training for employment.

‡ Affected by power restrictions occasioned by an industrial dispute.

#### 6. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales\*: Number Receiving Benefits at End of each Month

Last Saturday of Month	Unemployment			Sickness	Special †	All Benefits
	Males	Females	Persons	Persons	Persons	Persons
1952 : January	209	127	336	2,314	344	2,994
February	260	200	460	2,363	358	3,181
March	369	489	858	2,542	384	3,784
April	654	716	1,370	2,324	396	4,090
May	1,810	877	2,687	2,565	412	5,664
June	3,376	1,237	4,613	2,533	489	7,635
July	5,439	1,861	7,300	2,575	480	10,355
August	11,108	2,553	13,661	2,595	411	16,667
September	13,269	2,713	15,982	2,880	367	19,229
October	16,231	2,773	19,004	2,806	623	22,433
November	17,733	3,106	20,839	3,181	532	24,552
December	21,594	3,524	25,118	2,805	512	28,435
1953 : January	20,503	3,150	23,653	3,211	505	27,369
February	17,667	3,200	20,867	3,241	480	24,588
March	14,948	2,854	17,802	3,429	388	21,619
April	14,040	2,831	16,871	2,978	720	20,569

\* Including Australian Capital Territory.

† Excluding immigrants.

## 7. Industrial Disputes in New South Wales

Compiled by N.S.W. Department of Labour and Industry and Social Welfare

Period	Disputes	Employees Involved			Man-working Days Lost by Employees Involved			
		Mining	Non-mining	Total	Mining	Non-mining	Total	
		Number		Thousands				
Year :	1939	533	203	9	212	381	65	446
	1945	1,158	222	102	324	653	1,226	1,879
	1946	986	181	82	263	300	616	916
	1947	1,328	221	78	299	392	735	1,127
	1948	1,506	229	48	277	497	278	775
	1949	1,303	167	49	216	770	248	1,018
	1950	1,694	221	138	359	294	325	619
	1951	1,443	335	144	479	409	328	737
	1952	1,297	194	181	375	274	485	759
1952 :	March	114	14	2	16	29	14	43
	April	104	14	16	30	18	29	47
	May	120	15	35	50	25	52	77
	June	101	40	18	58	50	68	118
	July	88	17	13	30	27	18	45
	August	86	21	3	24	32	18	50
	September	122	26	37	63	45	56	101
	October	111	21	7	28	34	15	49
	November	111	31	9	40	36	21	57
	December	26	4	4	8	5	8	13
1953 :	January	55	11	8	19	18	15	33
	February	84	18	4	22	31	14	45
	March	104	30	6	36	61	7	68
	April	88	41	24	65	61	56	117

Monthly particulars are approximate.

## 8. Population, Births, Deaths, Marriages, and Migration, New South Wales

Period <sup>1</sup>	Estimated Population at end of Period			Live Births	Deaths	Net Immigration	Marriages	
	Males	Females	Persons					
	Number							
Year :	1939	1,393,358	1,373,057	2,766,415	48,003	26,815	8,044*	25,471
	1948	1,531,990	1,530,354	3,062,344	67,234	30,403	17,931	30,164
	1949	1,594,724	1,581,211	3,175,935	68,812	29,364	74,143	28,757
	1950	1,649,479	1,628,547	3,278,026	71,592	30,965	61,464	30,036
	1951	1,692,368	1,666,392	3,358,760	72,069	31,932	40,597	30,341
	1952	1,725,522	1,696,246	3,421,768	74,196	32,038	20,850	29,351
1950 : Dec. Qr.	1,649,479	1,628,547	3,278,026	17,866	7,199	22,773	7,947	
1951 : Mar. Qr.	1,661,946	1,641,171	3,303,117	18,070	6,828	13,849	7,822	
June Qr.	1,669,470	1,647,712	3,317,182	17,658	7,893	4,300	7,978	
Sept. Qr.	1,679,736	1,655,762	3,335,498	18,835	9,739	9,220	6,567	
Dec. Qr.	1,692,368	1,666,392	3,358,760	17,506	7,472	13,228	7,974	
1952 : Mar. Qr.	1,701,906	1,674,776	3,376,682	18,779	7,258	6,401	7,915	
June Qr.	1,708,712	1,679,725	3,388,437	17,958	7,833	1,630	7,434	
Sept. Qr.	1,717,924	1,687,465	3,405,389	18,964	9,598	7,586	6,316	
Dec. Qr.	1,725,522	1,696,246	3,421,768	18,495	7,349	5,233	7,686	

\* Includes intercensal adjustment.

The estimated population of Metropolis (Sydney and Suburbs) was 1,621,040 at 31st December, 1952.

## 9. Mean Population of N.S.W.: Financial and Calendar Years

Year	Year ended 30th June			Year ended 31st December		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
1948	1,503,789	1,502,692	3,006,481	1,515,909	1,513,664	3,029,573
1949	1,533,884	1,530,089	3,063,973	1,561,124	1,552,853	3,113,977
1950	1,592,739	1,579,201	3,171,940	1,621,197	1,603,695	3,224,892
1951	1,647,041	1,627,066	3,274,107	1,670,626	1,648,174	3,318,800
1952	1,690,790	1,665,198	3,355,988	1,709,553	1,680,921	3,390,474

## BUILDING ACTIVITY IN NEW SOUTH WALES

Note.—“Value” represents the estimated cost of the building when completed (exclusive of the land).

2. Building is classified as “government” or “private” according to ownership.
3. The value of building approved is the value of permits issued by local government councils, plus the value of contracts let or work commenced and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities.
4. Buildings on rural holdings are for the most part excluded.

### 10. Value of Private and Government Building\* Approved : Area of State

Period	Private	Government	Private and Government					
	Total, N.S.W.	Total, N.S.W.	Division of Cumberland			Rest of State	Total, N.S.W.	
			Metropolis	Balance	Total			
<b>£ thousand</b>								
Year : 1947	41,817	7,322	24,551	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	49,139	
1948	49,443	11,343	28,839	12,191	41,030	19,756	60,786	
1949	58,923	14,244	34,419	13,847	48,266	24,901	73,167	
1950	82,118	17,375	45,276	19,655	64,931	34,562	99,493	
1951	97,712	22,386	52,249	23,626	75,875	44,223	120,098	
1952	66,404	12,252	32,607	16,311	48,918	29,738	78,656	
1952 : Jan.-Mar.	14,937	3,803	7,876	4,496	12,372	6,368	18,740	
1953 : Jan.-Mar.	18,631	4,266	9,598	4,894	14,492	8,405	22,897	
1952 : Jan.	4,436	1,189	2,855	1,205	4,060	1,565	5,625	
Feb.	4,580	1,124	2,415	1,474	3,889	1,815	5,704	
Mar.	5,921	1,490	2,606	1,817	4,423	2,988	7,411	
1953 : Jan.	5,083	860	2,044	1,689	3,733	2,210	5,943	
Feb.	6,290	1,747	3,775	1,667	5,442	2,595	8,037	
Mar.	7,258	1,659	3,779	1,538	5,317	3,600	8,917	

\* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

### II. Value of Private and Government Building\* Approved : Class of Building

Period	Houses	Flats and Conversions to Flats	Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	Shops and Shops with Dwellings	Factories	Other Buildings	Total
	£ thousand						
<b>DIVISION OF CUMBERLAND</b>							
Year : 1948	30,858	1,989	103	477	4,389	3,214	41,030
1949	35,574	2,499	33	724	4,357	5,079	48,266
1950	46,009	3,596	129	1,271	6,901	7,025	64,931
1951	47,801	3,589	500	1,533	9,725	12,727	75,875
1952	31,112	1,124	503	1,147	6,585	8,447	48,918
1952 : Jan.-Mar.	8,037	155	90	277	1,964	1,849	12,372
1953 : Jan.-Mar.	10,246	77	101	432	1,398	2,238	14,492
1952 : Jan.	2,245	26	57	71	919	742	4,060
Feb.	2,531	74	25	64	512	683	3,889
Mar.	3,261	55	8	142	533	424	4,423
1953 : Jan.	2,623	..	25	165	348	572	3,733
Feb.	3,816	17	20	90	714	785	5,442
Mar.	3,807	60	56	177	336	881	5,317

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Year : 1948	46,219	2,267	247	922	5,424	5,707	60,786
1949	54,630	2,991	111	1,178	5,187	9,070	73,167
1950	70,063	4,379	359	2,336	8,619	13,737	99,493
1951	77,067	4,195	1,090	2,906	14,460	20,380	120,098
1952	52,853	1,353	1,227	2,018	8,159	13,046	78,656
1952 : Jan.-Mar.	13,025	214	232	476	2,118	2,675	18,740
1953 : Jan.-Mar.	16,532	241	326	639	1,462	3,697	22,897
1952 : Jan.	3,356	50	142	95	955	1,027	5,625
Feb.	3,955	91	42	133	550	933	5,704
Mar.	5,714	73	48	248	613	715	7,411
1953 : Jan.	4,364	23	105	213	356	882	5,943
Feb.	5,707	119	32	163	730	1,286	8,037
Mar.	6,461	99	189	263	376	1,529	8,917

\* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.

## 12. New House and Flat Building, New South Wales : Number of Dwelling Units

Period	Houses				Flats				Houses and Flats			
	Ap- proved †	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *	Ap- proved †	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *	Ap- proved †	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *

### PRIVATE

Year :	1947	24,684	15,455	10,729	13,396	1,049	552	356	499	25,733	16,007	11,085	13,895
	1948	26,496	17,092	13,867	16,621	1,069	904	602	801	27,565	17,996	14,469	17,422
	1949	28,359	17,933	14,767	19,787	1,039	730	734	797	29,398	18,663	15,501	20,584
	1950	31,020	19,437	15,866	23,358	1,364	744	634	907	32,384	20,181	16,500	24,265
	1951 p	28,206	21,336	16,252	28,442	1,091	732	790	849	29,297	22,068	17,042	29,291
	1952 p	17,827	18,449	19,308	27,583	271	295	744	529	18,098	18,744	20,052	28,112
1951 :	Mar. Qr.	7,622	5,292	3,644	25,006	329	188	155	940	7,951	5,480	3,799	25,946
	June Qr. p	8,256	5,607	3,887	26,726	332	243	172	1,011	8,588	5,850	4,059	27,737
	Sept. Qr. p	7,136	5,311	4,119	27,918	234	145	264	892	7,370	5,456	4,383	28,810
	Dec. Qr. p	5,192	5,126	4,602	28,442	196	156	199	849	5,388	5,282	4,801	29,291
1952 :	Mar. Qr. p	4,306	4,966	4,976	28,432	61	111	181	779	4,367	5,077	5,157	29,211
	June Qr. p	4,167	4,795	4,897	28,330	101	69	172	676	4,268	4,864	5,069	29,006
	Sept. Qr. p	4,616	3,933	4,860	27,403	40	73	160	589	4,656	4,006	5,020	27,992
	Dec. Qr. p	4,738	4,755	4,575	27,583	69	42	231	529	4,807	4,797	4,806	28,112
1953 :	Mar. Qr. p	5,101	4,276	5,118	26,741	71	40	163	400	5,172	4,316	5,281	27,141

### GOVERNMENT

Year :	1947	3,166	3,418	2,462	3,990	350	160	9	204	3,516	3,578	2,471	4,194
	1948	2,689	3,974	3,385	4,579	729	427	187	444	3,418	4,401	3,572	5,023
	1949	3,524	3,419	3,509	4,489	639	630	285	789	4,163	4,049	3,794	5,278
	1950	3,909	3,739	3,453	4,775	505	815	335	1,269	4,414	4,554	3,788	6,044
	1951	5,247	4,322	4,127	4,970	507	523	330	1,462	5,754	4,845	4,457	6,432
	1952	843	2,931	5,250	2,651	(-) 25	236	635	1,063	818	3,167	5,885	3,714
1951 :	Mar. Qr.	885	874	773	4,876	74	65	38	1,296	959	939	811	6,172
	June Qr.	1,866	1,195	1,004	5,067	159	94	86	1,304	2,025	1,289	1,090	6,371
	Sept. Qr.	1,930	1,056	911	5,212	226	183	59	1,428	2,156	1,239	970	6,640
	Dec. Qr.	566	1,197	1,439	4,970	48	181	147	1,462	614	1,378	1,586	6,432
1952 :	Mar. Qr.	(-) 13	926	1,104	4,792	(-) 25	36	62	1,436	(-) 38	962	1,166	6,228
	June Qr.	294	987	1,225	4,554	...	174	141	1,469	294	1,161	1,366	6,023
	Sept. Qr.	195	563	1,458	3,659	...	26	84	1,411	195	589	1,542	5,070
	Dec. Qr.	367	455	1,463	2,651	...	...	348	1,063	367	455	1,811	3,714
1953 :	Mar. Qr.	1,160	927	1,048	2,530	36	...	190	873	1,196	927	1,238	3,403

### PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT

Year :	1947	27,850	18,873	13,191	17,386	1,399	712	365	703	29,249	19,585	13,556	18,089
	1948	29,185	21,066	17,252	21,200	1,798	1,331	789	1,245	30,983	22,397	18,041	22,445
	1949	31,883	21,352	18,276	24,276	1,678	1,360	1,019	1,586	33,561	22,712	19,295	25,862
	1950	34,929	23,176	19,319	28,133	1,869	1,559	969	2,176	36,798	24,735	20,288	30,309
	1951 p	33,453	25,658	20,379	33,412	1,598	1,255	1,120	2,311	35,051	26,913	21,499	35,723
	1952 p	18,670	21,380	24,558	30,234	246	531	1,379	1,592	18,916	21,911	25,937	31,826
1951 :	Mar. Qr.	8,507	6,166	4,417	29,882	403	253	193	2,236	8,910	6,419	4,610	32,118
	June Qr. p	10,122	6,802	4,891	31,793	491	337	258	2,315	10,613	7,139	5,149	34,108
	Sept. Qr. p	9,066	6,367	5,030	33,130	460	328	323	2,320	9,526	6,695	5,353	35,450
	Dec. Qr. p	5,758	6,323	6,041	33,412	244	337	346	2,311	6,002	6,660	6,387	35,723
1952 :	Mar. Qr. p	4,293	5,892	6,080	33,224	36	147	243	2,215	4,329	6,039	6,323	35,439
	June Qr. p	4,461	5,782	6,122	32,884	101	243	313	2,145	4,562	6,025	6,435	35,029
	Sept. Qr. p	4,811	4,496	6,318	31,062	40	99	244	2,000	4,851	4,595	6,562	33,062
	Dec. Qr. p	5,105	5,210	6,038	30,234	69	42	579	1,592	5,174	5,252	6,617	31,826
1953 :	Mar. Qr. p	6,261	5,203	6,166	29,271	107	40	353	1,273	6,368	5,243	6,519	30,544

\* At end of period. † "Private approved"—local government permits to build. "Government approved"—contracts let and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities. Statistics of dwellings approved are available monthly; figures for current months are as follows:—

Ownership	Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
		New Houses and Flats Approved : Number of Dwelling Units.											
Private	1952	1,229	1,427	1,711	1,376	1,422	1,470	1,679	1,485	1,492	1,686	1,554	1,567
	1953	1,512	1,698	1,962									
Gov'ment	1952	(-) 36	(-) 103	101	455	(-) 12	(-) 149	(-) 10	(-) 10	215	(-) 133	226	274
	1953	224	477	495									
Total	1952	1,193	1,324	1,812	1,831	1,410	1,321	1,669	1,475	1,707	1,553	1,780	1,841
	1953	1,736	2,175	2,457									

(-) denotes excess of contracts cancelled over contracts let.

### 13. New South Wales Government Railways: Traffic and Finances

Period	Passenger Journeys	Goods Carried (excluding livestock)	Gross Revenue*	Working Expenses†	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Thousands	Thous. tons		£ thousand	
Year: 1938-39	186,720	14,679	19,146	14,543	4,603
1946-47	261,644	16,539	30,353	25,886	4,467
1947-48	263,047	17,407	36,906	31,015	5,891
1948-49	263,116	16,903	39,663	35,739	3,924
1949-50	258,183	15,890	40,122‡	39,281	841
1950-51	268,567	17,131	49,448	49,168	280
1951-52	268,168	18,528	68,910	64,020	4,890
1951-52: July-Mar.	201,110	13,905	50,342	44,757	5,585
1952-53: July-Mar.	201,653	13,527	54,566	49,487	5,079
1952: January	22,570	1,301	6,265	5,171	1,094
February	21,038	1,457	6,400	5,171	1,229
March	24,277	1,682	6,137	5,356	781
1953: January	22,120	1,322	5,772	4,709	1,063
February	21,427	1,394	5,352	5,482§	(—) 130
March	23,975	1,571	5,963	5,440	523

\* Excludes Government contribution, £800,000 annually, for developmental lines. † Excluding capital charges such as interest, exchange, etc.; a proportion of sinking fund for retirement of assets is included.

‡ Excludes a special grant of £3m. by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

§ Includes charges not applicable to month of February.

Railway freight charges were increased from 22nd October, 1951, and passenger fares from 1st November, 1951.

### 14. New South Wales Government Tramways and Omnibuses: Finances

Period	Gross Revenue			Working Expenses*	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Trams	Buses	Total		
£ thousand					
Year: 1938-39	3,449	.925	4,374	3,707	667
1946-47	4,360	1,746	6,106	6,228	(—) 122
1947-48	5,310	2,544	7,854	7,895	(—) 41
1948-49	5,098	3,643	8,741	8,580	161
1949-50	4,792	4,307	9,099†	9,538	(—) 439
1950-51	5,162	5,110	10,272	11,201	(—) 929
1951-52	5,510	5,680	11,190	13,807	(—) 2,617
1951-52: July-Mar.	4,073	4,226	8,299	10,028	(—) 1,729
1952-53: July-Mar.	4,230	4,404	8,634	10,734	(—) 2,100
1952: January	466	468	934	1,141	(—) 207
February	473	478	951	1,142	(—) 191
March	504	513	1,017	1,171	(—) 154
1953: January	468	479	947	1,219	(—) 272
February	440	453	893	1,078	(—) 185
March	492	505	997	1,197	(—) 200

\* Exclusive of sinking fund, interest on loan capital, exchange, and depreciation (£703,574 in year 1951-52).

† Excludes a special grant of £200,000 by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

Fares on Government trams and buses were increased from 5th November, 1951.

### 15. Port of Sydney: Cargoes Discharged and Shipped

Compiled by Maritime Services Board of New South Wales. Vessels transporting troops, war equipment and supplies are included. Warships are excluded.

Period	Oversea		Interstate		Intra-state		Total	
	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward
	Thousand tons (Measurement and Weight Combined)							
Year: 1938-39	2,045	1,429	1,187	798	1,896	340	5,128	2,567
1947-48	2,431	1,719	1,045	512	1,839	141	5,315	2,372
1948-49	2,683	2,162	1,009	535	1,658	115	5,350	2,812
1949-50	3,137	1,934	905	573	1,616	130	5,658	2,637
1950-51	3,851	1,521	892	540	1,781	135	6,524	2,196
1951-52	4,236	1,155	903	533	1,837	116	6,976	1,804
1952: Mar. Qr.	1,176	306	217	123	394	24	1,787	453
June Qr.	922	230	222	135	455	24	1,599	389
Sept. Qr.	644	209	253	174	485	28	1,382	411
Dec. Qr.	605	301	209	162	530	26	1,344	409
1953: Mar. Qr.	595	343	184	154	375	16	1,154	513

### 16. Motor Vehicles on the Register\* in New South Wales

End of Month	Cars	Omnibus	Taxi-cabs and Hire Cars	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Trailers	All Other Vehicles†	Total on Register
1939 : June	213,331	1,430	3,278	76,726	294,765	24,151	6,414	2,298	327,628
1945 : June	182,972	1,891	2,962	82,957	270,782	16,068	9,065	2,397	298,312
1947 : June	195,857	2,200	3,330	113,544	314,931	25,172	14,712	3,635	358,450
1949 : June	232,637	2,947	3,562	140,338	379,684	36,379	21,525	6,362	443,950
1951 : June	308,294	3,363	4,159	181,529	497,345	46,851	28,131	9,328	581,655
1952 : June	338,640	3,429	4,474	196,295	542,838	47,552	31,429	10,482	632,301
1951 : Dec.	327,566	3,392	4,407	191,776	527,141	48,238	30,126	10,286	615,791
1952 : Jan.	330,114	3,385	4,427	193,002	530,928	48,266	30,725	10,396	620,315
Feb.	331,944	3,377	4,443	193,906	533,670	48,253	30,936	10,467	623,326
Mar.	333,872	3,407	4,456	194,254	535,989	48,128	31,141	10,410	625,668
1952 : Dec.	350,164	3,493	4,532	197,470	555,659	46,558	33,141	10,907	646,265
1953 : Jan.	351,636	3,489	4,535	197,406	557,066	46,375	33,557	10,922	647,920
Feb.	352,890	3,485	4,534	197,313	558,222	46,066	33,532	10,956	648,776
Mar.	354,817	3,458	4,535	197,717	560,527	45,863	33,735	11,052	651,177

\* Excludes defence vehicles. † Comprises traders' plates, tourist vehicles, and tractors (excluding tractors used solely on farms); details are shown in the Statistical Bulletin (Quarterly).

### 17. New Motor Vehicles Registered\* in New South Wales : Types

Period	Cars†	Taxi-cabs‡	Omnibus‡	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Tractors§ and Trailers	Total
Year : 1938-39	19,924	569	130	7,712	28,335	2,196	1,714	32,245
1946-47	7,998	7	116	5,487	13,608	2,850	3,204	19,662
1947-48	16,659	133	329	9,079	26,200	4,451	3,521	34,172
1948-49	25,466	186	339	11,674	37,665	7,442	4,177	49,284
1949-50	41,163	133	212	20,158	61,666	8,659	5,004	75,329
1950-51	46,689	323	84	29,076	76,172	8,855	5,578	90,605
1951-52	41,426	267	127	25,628	67,448	6,018	5,779	79,245
1951-52:July-Mar.	33,225	211	96	19,908	53,440	5,131	4,790	63,361
1952-53:July-Mar.	23,199	400	99	13,325	37,023	2,391	4,603	44,017
1951 : Dec.	3,584	23	15	2,175	5,797	397	852	7,046
1952 : Jan.	2,921	12	14	1,743	4,690	408	770	5,868
Feb.	2,935	22	10	1,821	4,788	429	392	5,609
Mar.	3,418	21	15	2,256	5,710	450	466	6,626
1952 : Dec.	3,096	42	4	1,650	4,792	302	975	6,069
1953 : Jan.	2,053	27	8	1,179	3,267	280	663	4,210
Feb.	2,396	74	6	1,403	3,879	253	319	4,451
Mar.	2,886	76	13	1,686	4,661	276	418	5,355

\* Excludes defence vehicles. † Includes taxi-cabs and omnibuses in country districts. ‡ Metropolitan and Newcastle Districts only. § Tractors used solely on farms are not registered.

### 18. New Motor Vehicles Registered in New South Wales : Country of Origin

Period	Cars					Lorries, Utilities, and Vans				
	Australia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total	Australia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total
Year: 1938-39	...	38.8	60.6	0.6	19,924	...	25.0	74.6	0.4	7,714
1946-47	...	53.2	46.8	...	7,998	...	19.3	80.7	...	5,487
1947-48	...	53.5	45.7	0.8	16,659	...	18.3	81.7	...	9,079
1948-49	3.1	76.5	18.7	1.7	25,466	...	50.1	49.8	0.1	11,674
1949-50	11.7	77.2	7.9	3.2	41,163	...	72.0	27.4	0.6	20,158
1950-51	16.5	67.5	10.1	5.9	46,689	1.9	75.8	21.7	0.6	29,076
1951-52	19.3	62.2	11.8	6.7	41,426	7.9	63.7	26.8	1.6	25,628
1951-52: July-Mar.	18.7	62.4	11.2	7.7	33,225	6.9	66.2	25.5	1.4	19,908
1952-53: July-Mar.	31.6	51.3	14.0	3.1	23,199	19.8	50.2	27.8	2.2	13,325
1951 : Dec.	20.0	59.9	11.3	8.8	3,584	8.4	65.1	25.4	1.1	2,175
1952 : Jan.	16.5	67.1	10.7	5.7	2,921	7.1	67.0	24.0	1.9	1,743
Feb.	22.2	60.1	14.4	3.3	2,935	8.1	60.9	28.9	2.1	1,821
Mar.	20.2	64.2	12.7	2.9	3,418	6.9	61.2	29.1	2.8	2,256
1952 : Dec.	32.9	51.6	12.3	3.2	3,096	20.7	49.8	27.3	2.2	1,650
1953 : Jan.	29.1	53.5	13.1	4.3	2,053	19.5	56.4	21.3	2.8	1,179
Feb.	33.6	47.8	15.5	3.1	2,396	20.4	51.4	25.9	2.3	1,403
Mar.	35.5	46.0	14.6	3.9	2,886	17.4	51.9	29.7	1.0	1,686

### 19. Coal Production in New South Wales

Period of Four Weeks *	Last Day of Period (1953 Dates)	1942	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953
		Thousand tons						
1st†	Jan. 24	731	539	513	714	442	622	604
2nd	Feb. 21	933	918	954	952	876	1,134	1,135r
3rd	Mar. 21	981	869	929	932	888	1,292	1,140pr
4th	Apr. 18	886	964	908	925	1,052	1,158	1,004pr
5th	May 16	1,003	878	970	1,013	980	1,171	928p
6th	June 13	965	883	926	1,038	1,052	1,147	
7th	July 11	918	941	225	923	1,168	1,236	
8th	Aug. 8	953	984	109	961	1,158	1,177	
9th	Sept. 5	1,028	1,061	1,117	1,144	1,174	1,240	
10th	Oct. 3	984	1,024	1,100	1,051	1,205	1,287	
11th	Oct. 31	973	696	1,108	1,120	1,255	1,265	
12th	Nov. 28	965	1,134	1,182	1,093	1,222	1,272	
13th†	Dec. 26	886	830	695	932	1,041	1,019	
Year : Underground		12,150	10,466	9,388	11,197	11,224	12,492	
Open Cut ...		56	1,255	1,348	1,601	2,289	2,528	
Total ...	...	12,206	11,721	10,736	12,798	13,513	15,020	

Twenty Weeks ended—

	May 16	May 22	May 21	May 20	May 19	May 17	May 16
Northern District ...	3,085	2,718	2,719	3,007	2,712	3,365	3,027p
Southern District ...	840*	731	757	769	814	950	1,014p
Western District ...	609	719	798	760	712	1,062	770p
Underground							
Open Cut ...	n.a.	3,710	3,763	3,971	3,567	4,350	4,193p
Total ...	...	4,534	4,168	4,274	4,536	5,377	4,811p

\* Periods in Southern District ended a week later than in other districts in 1942.

†Miners' mid-summer holidays

In 1st Period ...	1942.	1948.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.	1953.
	... Public holidays	1 week	2 weeks	{N-1 wk. {S&W-2 wks. {N-2 wks. {S& W-1 wk. }	2 weeks	2 weeks	2 weeks
In 13th Period	... only.	1 week	1 week	1 week	1 week	1 week	2 weeks

### 20. Consumption of Gas and Electricity, Sydney

(Index of Monthly Sales of Gas and Electricity)

Based on number of units each equal to 3,412 British Thermal Units. The base for each month is the average sales in the corresponding month of the three years, 1929 to 1931.

Month	Average 1929 to 1931	1939	1947	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953
January	100	125	170	198	218	221	235	252	258r
February	100	125	201	208	227	241	240	258	267r
March	100	130	199	212	231	238	235	252	268
April	100	125	198	218	222	226	243	248	
May	100	128	198	203	229	237	240	251	
June	100	131	208	214	189	232	245	252	
July	100	134	212	199	118	214	253	254	
August	100	135	212	214	173	234	255	247	
September	100	134	214	223	228	236	248	254	
October	100	135	211	216	224	238	255	257	
November	100	136	214	226	239	246	265	260	
December	100	131	214	222	231	236	246	267	
Year	100	131	204	213	209	233	247	254	

# MONTHLY PRODUCTION, NEW SOUTH WALES

Statistics for 1950-51 are final, but all figures from July, 1951, are subject to revision.

## 21. Production of Food and Drink

Period	Butter *	Cheese *	Processed Whole Milk Products	Bacon and Ham	Jam	Preserved Fruit	Preserved Vegetables
Thousand lb.							
Year : 1938-39	113,841	7,193	14,357	25,987	20,635	28,387	4,902
1946-47	60,385	4,544	38,302	35,310	51,936	27,408	25,958
1947-48	76,066	5,909	46,475	31,614	59,397	30,556	25,480
1948-49	74,519	5,577	44,868	29,649	33,234	29,676	24,480
1949-50	82,469	6,333	51,215	28,879	36,246	31,748	32,265
1950-51	76,873	6,630	45,827	28,157	31,096	35,743	32,130
1951-52p	52,501	4,469	39,447	24,213	30,861	45,083	36,976
1951-52: July-Mar.	37,792	3,465	27,605	18,240	23,019	39,101	28,919
1952-53: July-Mar.	67,926	6,213	47,539	19,787	15,186	28,764	33,829
1952 : January	4,533	377	3,165	1,361	5,368	6,320	2,841
February	3,652	197	2,500	1,697	2,526	4,847	4,258
March	5,852	395	4,018	1,801	2,693	22,163	4,409
1953 : January	8,837	871	5,281	1,695	2,454	2,471	5,988
February	9,025	737	4,638	1,632	1,784	4,872	9,845
March	8,722	652	4,021	1,898	2,625	18,839	4,243

Period	Flour (Wheaten)	Bran (Wheaten)	Pollard (Wheaten)	Oatmeal and Rolled Oats	Cornflour (incl. Edible Starch)	Biscuits †
Tons (2,000 lb.)						
Year : 1938-39	547,162	107,779	121,154	82,706	n.a.	43,611
1946-47	537,389	98,231	124,334	152,515	158,589	47,512
1947-48	533,975	97,375	119,840	167,110	138,203	48,068
1948-49	646,199	117,813	151,468	170,251	153,853	53,299
1949-50	577,482	98,478	133,294	166,183	154,645	60,789
1950-51	677,682	112,744	146,879	162,166	179,891	67,725
1951-52p	557,587	89,858	122,286	168,805	179,634	75,757
1951-52: July-Mar.	458,859	74,747	100,425	103,304	133,143	56,424
1952-53: July-Mar.	367,720	56,665	82,227	108,266	128,203	55,181
1952 : January	53,643	8,738	11,833	6,400	6,896	4,370
February	44,770	7,202	9,759	9,724	16,312	7,446
March	35,787	5,903	7,953	18,347	13,748	6,684
1953 : January	50,636	7,805	11,241	7,619	9,140	5,349
February	51,687	8,035	11,674	9,905	17,995	6,002
March	57,698	8,950	12,969	14,580	15,994	6,260

Period	Margarine		Ice Cream	Confectionery		Beer
	Table	Other		Chocolate (excl. coverture)	Other	
Thousand lb.						
Year : 1938-39	4,492	22,475	2,233	21,988‡	26,811	33,899
1946-47	9,206	21,570	5,278	28,460‡	35,169	50,654
1947-48	5,177	27,938	5,852	27,799‡	34,896	45,626
1948-49	13,559	33,598	6,954	27,253	34,094	54,104
1949-50	8,457	38,242	7,540	28,910	31,307	54,704
1950-51	5,619	36,328	7,711	25,766	34,900	61,966
1951-52p	10,402	41,109	7,596	23,242	34,975	67,891
1951-52: July-Mar.	7,562	30,729	6,700	16,906	25,947	50,875
1952-53: July-Mar.	6,386	25,354	4,699	13,765	25,338	55,323
1952 : January	355	2,270	1,107	851	1,737	5,657
February	600	2,496	862	1,549	2,735	5,588
March	1,632	3,610	715	2,152	2,834	6,008
1953 : January	509	1,737	692	1,078	1,878	6,482
February	672	2,650	614	1,864	2,492	5,841
March	705	2,528	625	2,258	2,971	6,474

\* Production in factories only.

† Excluding ice cream cones.

‡ Including coverture.

## 22. Production of Metals, Coal, and Energy

Period	Gold	Coal	Coke (Metallurg.)	Pig Iron	Ingot Steel	Gas	Electricity
Year : 1938-39	Fine oz.	11,196*	1,136†	1,105†	1,168†	Mill. cub. ft.	Mill. kWh.
1946-47	43,607	11,212	1,184†	926†	1,312†	10,896	1,948
1947-48	50,599	11,780	1,366†	1,030†	1,343†	16,744	3,229
1948-49	57,981	11,736	1,130	897	1,129	18,093	3,546
1949-50	47,288	11,290	1,164	1,002	1,266	18,151	3,717
1950-51	52,934	12,683	1,488	1,158	1,405	17,846	3,758
1951-52 p	41,235	14,800	1,607	1,219	1,473	21,133	4,241
1951-52: July-Mar.	31,788	11,076	1,244	954	1,173	15,704	3,445
1952-53: July-Mar.	25,150	11,124	1,377	1,137	1,355	15,373	3,714
1952: January	3,347	806	138	113	137	1,568	367
February	3,045	1,271	134	103	126	1,557	371
March	3,289	1,352	147	110	135	1,660	389
1953: January	1,404	843	150	124	153	1,557	394r
February	1,674	1,186r	142	116	141	1,466	387r
March	1,880	1,228	168	147	160	1,642	439

\* Year ended 31st December, 1939.

† Year ended 31st May.

‡ Monthly totals are approximate.

## 23. Production of Miscellaneous Metal Products

Period	Engines (Internal Combustion)		Electric Motors		Motor Bodies (Excl. Cabins and Conversions)	Pedal Cycles		
	Marine	Other	Under 1 h.p.					
			Under 1 h.p.	Over 1 h.p.				
Year : 1938-39	977	1,214		Number				
1946-47	2,803	8,943		26,671*	5,425	36,416		
1947-48	2,839	11,165	80,465*	82,382*	2,719	30,259		
1948-49	2,343	16,642	182,290	25,533*	3,240	28,567		
1949-50	2,185	17,560	274,228	31,338	4,341	27,605		
1950-51	2,160	21,586	369,684	26,146	6,646	26,539		
1951-52 p	1,877	20,929	381,296	34,166	8,866	29,156		
				33,553	8,819	26,352		
1951-52: July-Mar.	1,566	17,520	299,633	24,858	7,047	22,215		
1952-53: July-Mar.	910	6,665	235,234	17,981	3,261	15,607		
1952: January	106	1,294	27,774	1,725	478			
February	127	1,298	31,456	2,600	712	1,477		
March	154	1,615	31,665	3,265	760	2,107		
1953: January	86	746	29,960	2,332	283	1,568		
February	90	908	35,985	1,331	396	1,533		
March	97	795	27,575	1,805	429	1,940		

\* Electric motors for sale as such; later totals include electric motors incorporated in finished products.

## 24. Production of Clothing

Period	Hosiery		Brassieres	Gloves		Boots, Shoes, and Sandals*	Slippers
	Women's, Maids' and Girls'	Other		Dress	Work*		
	Dozen pairs			Dozen		Dozen pairs	
Year : 1938-39	520,127	535,092	135,262	35,424	1,265	38,553	4,767
1946-47	301,363	445,562	142,781	87,564	16,562	119,560	7,201
1947-48	340,307	460,334	140,662	84,945	13,866	104,793	6,250
1948-49	351,054	411,453	147,498	116,876	9,727	106,474	3,143
1949-50	383,837	374,572	118,724	148,312	11,041	106,610	6,024
1950-51	465,854	423,477	151,241	168,814	14,277	125,834	2,804
1951-52 p	440,304	389,348	86,384	156,948	14,827	149,841	2,755
						5,941	2,454
1951-52: July-Mar.	335,567	302,771	62,634	122,345	11,367	112,218	4,621
1952-53: July-Mar.	404,451	232,484	72,915	100,745	16,942	76,781	4,262
1952: January	20,222	20,328	6,157	8,684	806	10,851	318
February	31,869	30,253	8,335	9,364	1,282	13,781	482
March	29,730	28,219	8,194	7,557	1,254	14,155	486
1953: January	31,447	17,119	8,381	3,913	1,437	5,347	285
February	47,380	30,173	10,943	12,823	2,494	7,999	463
March	52,623	34,926	11,384	16,367	2,169	7,980	500

\* Excluding articles of rubber.

## 25. Production of Building Materials and Fittings

Period	Sawn Timber (Native)	Bricks (Clay)	Tiles		Asbestos Cement Building Sheets	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Cement
			Terra Cotta	Cement			
Year:	Mill. sup. ft.		Thousands		Thousand sq. yd.		Tons
1938-39	179.4	379,236	20,129	n.a.	5,291	2,671	432,487
1946-47	300.9	249,533	19,523	230	9,657	3,397	393,397
1947-48	332.6	303,221	21,594	2,841	9,018	3,985	441,023
1948-49	353.7	314,323	22,783	5,652	8,695	4,415	465,354
1949-50	341.1	300,356	22,124	8,362	8,634	4,171	554,966
1950-51	338.3	341,994	22,590	11,213	9,777	4,963	613,425
1951-52p	414.5	350,097	23,612	16,902	10,543	5,205	624,364
1951-52: July-Mar.	320.9	266,188	16,999	13,530	7,681	3,912	453,681
1952-53: July-Mar.	272.2	214,935	20,413	5,138	6,931	3,320	464,563
1952: January	38.8	22,318	1,427	1,248	624	344	41,545
February	28.8	29,064	1,963	1,465	928	450	56,905
March	31.1	28,530	2,239	1,404	933	455	56,661
1953: January	34.7	17,442	1,730	350	595	293	50,329
February	23.8	22,765	2,275	389	896	341	43,554
March	23.8	27,224	2,602	411	776	387	56,550

Period	Paints		Stoves, Domestic Cooking			
	Ready-Mixed Paint	Lacquers and Enamels	Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric	
					Stoves	Stovettes Excl. Cookers
Year :	Thousand	gal.		Number		
1938-39	n.a.	863	17,154	17,736	4,930	
1946-47	1,568	1,138	12,033	12,883	31,221	
1947-48	1,762	1,404	11,748	14,627	8,942	n.a.
1948-49	1,823	1,569	12,810	19,906	18,908	n.a.
1949-50	1,914	1,826	10,307	20,723	14,178	23,128
1950-51	2,577	1,575	14,183	26,933	16,623	38,074
1951-52p	2,388	1,791	15,084	25,753	17,013	25,861
1951-52 : July-Mar.	1,947	1,416	10,899	20,570	13,140	23,434
1952-53 : July-Mar.	1,521	1,203	8,142	11,950	5,927	13,302
1952 : January	153	128	1,024	2,097	1,359	1,068
February	193	154	1,135	2,262	1,115	1,208
March	173	145	1,629	1,873	1,153	1,522
1953 : January	166	119	616	1,174	337	1,281
February	191	154	673	1,581	479	1,727
March	211	180	809	1,658	907	1,695

Period	Baths (All types)	Sinks	Bath Heaters			Coppers (complete)	
			Solid Fuel and Kerosene	Gas	Electric	Gas	Electric
Number							
Year :	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1946-47	n.a.	6,969	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1947-48	35,219	13,079	35,696	28,580	7,375	n.a.	n.a.
1948-49	45,646	12,867	35,201	22,414	6,301	24,256	14,121
1949-50	40,635	18,431	44,127	13,845	7,800	20,765	16,470
1950-51	45,583	22,759	42,219	17,191	8,863	24,847	24,081
1951-52p	48,705	25,003	37,355	16,022	8,495	19,769	20,247
1951-52 : July-Mar.	35,299	18,133	29,219	12,524	7,047	15,945	18,245
1952-53 : July-Mar.	27,220	18,019	22,570	7,841	n.a.	9,214	7,211
1952 : January	3,083	1,490	372	966	758	1,156	1,514
February	3,228	2,310	2,132	1,353	714	1,549	1,822
March	4,637	2,250	1,522	1,693	757	1,183	1,091
1953 : January	2,517	1,089	1,921	729	n.a.	792	673
February	4,362	1,789	2,672	1,084	n.a.	1,188	829
March	4,455	2,145	4,391	1,026	n.a.	1,261	1,076

## 26. Production of Miscellaneous Products

Period	Refrigerators (Household)	Mattresses		
		Wire	Inner Spring	Other
Number				
Year : 1938-39	13,102	79,140	17,407	n.a.
1946-47	40,975	59,782	36,296	129,937
1947-48	66,771	53,245	58,828	181,078
1948-49	84,232	55,590	85,574	166,699
1949-50	90,653	69,650	107,057	190,543
1950-51	113,603	78,285	157,406	166,865
1951-52p	99,809	69,106	125,934	123,833
1951-52: July-Mar.	85,617	54,507	96,942	99,585
1952-53: July-Mar.	67,925	45,447	109,923	75,651
1952: January	6,489	3,615	7,637	6,801
February	8,434	5,095	11,319	8,429
March	7,424	5,727	11,524	8,255
1953: January	9,118	3,378	9,925	6,201
February	8,719	5,292	13,886	9,023
March	6,585	7,627	16,366	8,428

Period	Wireless Cabinets	Perambulators	Sulphate of	Sulphuric Acid
			Ammonia	
Number				
Year : 1938-39	133,760	42,282	20,960	85,501
1946-47	196,978	48,859	22,377	91,474
1947-48	213,226	56,201	24,611	88,973
1948-49	180,023	45,754	28,780	94,542
1949-50	222,818	48,410	32,353	93,763
1950-51	276,682	53,334	37,222	112,151
1951-52p	179,323	65,052	42,906	114,501
1951-52: July-Mar.	157,947	51,038	31,453	85,928
1952-53: July-Mar.	65,254	58,672	35,788	91,130
1952: January	10,006	4,543	3,472	9,797
February	16,588	4,942	3,053	8,534
March	10,158	5,469	3,442	9,469
1953: January	4,764	6,187	4,071	8,988
February	8,646	8,923	3,712	9,490
March	7,347	11,173	3,889	11,563

Period	Soap				Cleansing and Scouring Powders
	Toilet (incl. Shampoos and Shaving Soap)	Household (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders)	Industrial (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders)	Other (Liquid, Soft and Sand)	
Cwt.					
Year : 1938-39	107,390	384,103	56,301	56,301	28,502
1946-47	188,232	369,906	67,684	67,684	65,783
1947-48	228,973	511,658	99,387	99,387	61,050
1948-49	219,348	619,492	106,813	106,813	58,348
1949-50	227,888	620,561	42,302	102,380	47,468
1950-51	241,185	666,063	62,289	99,160	53,696
1951-52p	261,481	703,081	58,116	98,530	51,866
1951-52: July-Mar.	199,394	523,454	43,448	74,080	36,651*
1952-53: July-Mar.	164,135	532,550	38,802	62,910	31,436*
1952: January	16,551	37,911	2,919	6,734	2,669
February	26,607	67,846	5,369	10,256	4,068
March	18,629	53,896	6,005	8,722	3,540
1953: January	11,645	32,708	1,522	5,886	2,665*
February	20,028	65,860	3,991	6,724	3,097*
March	21,346	60,538	5,377	6,566	4,348*

\* Excludes synthetic detergents.

**27. Index of Rainfall in Rural Districts, New South Wales**  
 (Normal rainfall for each month = 100)

Month	Sheep Districts					Wheat Districts				Coastal Dairying Districts			
	N.	C.	S.	W.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.
1951: October	37	51	116	53	69	29	61	106	84	51	52	105	58
November	36	53	70	50	53	36	51	62	56	19	16	50	22
December	34	40	38	20	36	29	37	30	32	47	29	34	41
1952: January	33	18	27	35	27	41	22	23	25	23	34	40	28
February	172	67	28	67	84	174	56	20	49	131	147	50	124
March	114	161	185	188	158	122	159	180	167	98	90	166	105
April	118	169	300	195	200	113	192	296	246	85	100	332	120
May	155	127	237	146	173	169	133	260	216	63	71	82	68
June	92	130	170	57	124	105	139	141	136	139	108	321	154
July	82	144	93	114	107	87	143	91	104	81	130	116	98
August	259	236	95	183	191	266	221	82	141	326	410	390	356
September	52	54	106	33	68	48	58	105	85	2	23	23	47
October	242	147	228	236	210	193	169	230	209	154	165	302	176
November	34	66	155	103	90	34	72	150	115	34	43	174	54
December	60	95	127	31	89	73	101	98	96	52	52	134	63
1953: January	58	98	115	173	100	55	88	127	108	225	114	78	178
February	301	111	83	113	156	256	120	86	116	337	215	62	270
March	52	36	20	13	33	39	38	14	24	132	122	69	121
April	53	49	92	146	75	46	52	100	81	26	49	32	32

N.—Northern.

C.—Central.

S.—Southern.

W.—Western.

T.—Total, all Districts.

### WOOL

**28. Number of Sheep, Sheep Shorn, and Production of Wool, New South Wales**

Sheep as at 31st March. Sheep Shorn and Wool Production (as in grease) in season ended June

Particulars	1938-39	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52
Sheep ... mill.	48.9	43.1	46.1	50.4	53.3	54.1	53.7
Sheep shorn ... mill.	51.5	43.1	43.7	48.1	53.6	52.9	52.7
Wool produced* mill. lb.	437.1	432.6	422.3	463.2	515.0	492.1	437.8

\* Includes crutchings and wool from skins.

**29. Wool Received into Store and Unsold in Store, New South Wales**

(Excluding Albury Centre and Joint Organisation Stocks)

Period	Received into Store during period				Unsold in Store at end of period				
	Sydney	New-castle	Goulburn	Total	Sydney	New-castle	Goulburn	Total	
Thousand bales									
Season : 1946-47	922.8	158.2	42.7	1,123.7	34.5	4.6	0.3	39.4	
1947-48	869.2	152.1	46.9	1,068.2	13.7	1.2	0.2	15.1	
1948-49	998.9	181.1	54.4	1,234.4	75.7	2.8	0.5	79.0	
1949-50	1,066.6	218.9	57.0	1,342.5	11.6	1.3	0.1	13.0	
1950-51	1,052.4	176.0	51.2	1,279.6	24.6	1.8	0.4	26.8	
1951-52	903.6	164.4	42.7	1,110.7	14.9	0.7	0.2	15.8	
1951-52: July-Apr.	826.5	156.9	42.6	1,026.0	44.1	12.7	0.1	56.9	
1952-53: July-Apr.	1,031.1	195.0	51.6	1,277.7	88.4	29.6	4.2	122.2	
1952:	January	26.2	5.3	0.6	32.1	199.2	34.1	14.3	247.6
	February	28.4	4.7	0.3	33.4	112.4	4.4	6.8	123.6
	March	33.8	4.3	0.5	38.6	47.2	8.6	0.2	56.0
	April	37.9	4.1	(—) 0.1	41.9	44.1	12.7	0.1	56.9
1953:	January	16.7	4.8	0.9	22.4	267.0	37.9	17.8	322.7
	February	31.6	5.7	0.4	37.7	172.5	14.3	10.6	197.4
	March	55.8	5.0	0.5	61.3	85.5	18.8	3.6	107.9
	April	62.1	10.8	0.6	73.5	88.4	29.6	4.2	122.2

(—) Denotes the difference between wool received and wool transferred for sale in other centres.

### 30. Wool : Sales at Auction, New South Wales

Excluding Albury Centre. Includes small quantities bought-in by Joint Organisation, but excludes sales from stocks held by Joint Organisation.

Period	Wool Sold					Amount Realised				
	Greasy and Scoured			Total		Sydney	Newcastle	Goulburn	Total	
	Sydney	Newcastle	Goulburn	Greasy	Scoured					
Thousand bales *										
Season : 1938-39	1,144.6	32.1	...	1,118.9	57.8	n.a.	n.a.	...	15,521	
1946-47	889.8	154.1	42.4	1,014.0	72.3	26,906	4,551	1,453	32,910	
1947-48	892.2	148.6	47.0	994.8	83.0	42,881	7,556	2,535	52,972	
1948-49	925.4	170.2	54.0	1,079.0	70.6	53,699	10,193	3,439	67,331	
1949-50	1,118.4	202.7	57.1	1,293.8	84.4	86,510	16,217	4,987	107,714	
1950-51	1,038.6	175.5	50.9	1,194.8	70.2	185,502	32,589	10,113	228,204	
1951-52	912.2	165.4	43.3	1,071.9	49.0	85,188	15,943	4,130	105,261	
1951-52: July-April	806.0	145.9	43.3	956.7	38.5	75,290	14,221	4,129	93,640	
1952-53: July-April	956.9	166.1	47.6	1,127.4	43.2	104,090	19,092	5,523	128,705	
1952:	January	143.6	15.6	8.3	164.5	3.0	13,735	1,540	810	16,085
	February	115.2	34.3	7.8	152.9	4.4	10,541	2,978	648	14,167
	March	98.9	...	7.2	103.0	3.1	7,423	...	510	7,933
	April	41.0	...	...	37.0	4.0	3,225	...	1	3,226
1953:	January	66.2	25.0	9.2	98.0	2.4	7,246	2,973	1,048	11,267
	February	126.1	29.2	7.7	159.7	3.3	14,299	3,611	910	18,820
	March	142.8	0.5	7.5	145.5	5.3	16,901	2	947	17,850
	April	59.2	...	...	56.0	3.2	6,169	...	...	6,169

\* Scoured bales are not converted to greasy basis.

### 31. Prices of Greasy Wool, New South Wales

Season	Average Price at Auction, New South Wales*	Month	Average Price that would be realised if whole N.S.W. clip was sold at price level of current month			
			1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53
	Pence per lb.			Pence per lb.		
		July	45.0‡	78.5‡	95.0‡	75.0‡
		August	46.0‡	114.5	73.0	75.0‡
		September	45.0	118.0	66.0	73.0
		October	52.0	118.0	91.0	78.0
		November	55.5	128.0	80.0	78.0
		December	60.5	129.0	77.0	82.0
		January	74.5	166.0	75.0	82.0
		February	71.0	177.5	69.0	83.0
		March	69.5	190.5	61.0	87.0p
		April	73.5‡	145.0	63.0	89.0p
		May	81.0	129.0	72.0	
		June	78.5	95.0	75.0	

\* Excluding Albury (regarded as a Victorian selling centre). † Based on United Kingdom purchase prices; does not allow for payments accruing for profits on re-sale of contract wool. ‡ Nominal.

### 32. Wheat Growing in New South Wales

Season	Holdings with 20 acres or more Wheat for Grain	Area under Wheat		Yield of Grain	
		Total	For Grain	Total	Average per acre
1936-37 to 1945-46*	15,875†	4,203,047	3,824,667	49,850,000	13.0
1946-47	15,971	4,772,978	4,474,894	15,682,000	3.5
1947-48	16,803	5,355,169	5,043,017	95,227,000	18.9
1948-49	15,674	4,242,969	4,038,447	64,704,000	16.0
1949-50	15,594	4,173,857	4,011,744	81,939,000	20.4
1950-51	14,279	3,441,958	3,328,490	43,273,000	13.0
1951-52	13,147	2,930,170	2,753,317	39,689,000	14.4
1952-53p	n.y.a.	2,790,000	2,660,000	56,000,000	21.0

\* Annual average.

† Average of six seasons 1935-36 to 1940-41.

### 33. Wheat : Prices and Return to Growers, New South Wales, and Prices in Canada

Period	Export Price*	Home Price for Human Consumption§	Net Return, f.o.r. country siding, to N.S.W. Growers	Canadian No. 1 Northern Wheat; in store, Fort William—Port Arthur and Vancouver
For Commercial Export				
		s. d. per bushel	Cents (Can.) per bushel	
Year: 1938-39	2 5.1	2 5.9	2 2.8	62.0
1946-47	14 1	3 11.3	10 3.8	244.0
1947-48	19 4.7	6 0.2	13 7.2	287.9
1948-49	15 8.2	6 8	10 7.6	226.3
1949-50	15 5.2	18 5.6	12 4.6	218.6
1950-51	16 1	18 8.8	11 10	212.3
1951-52	16 4.3	20 9	12 11r	235.0
1952: April	16 6	21 6	10 0	226.7
May	16 6	21 6	10 0	227.1
June	16 6	21 6	10 0	217.1
July	16 6	21 6	10 0	211.6
August	16 6	21 6	10 0	216.5
September	16 6	21 6	10 0	218.4
October	16 6	21 6	10 0	221.7
November	16 6	21 6	10 0	227.3
December	16 6	21 6	12 0.2	221.4
1953: January	16 6	21 6	12 0.2	218.0
February	16 6	21 6	12 0.2	218.1
March	16 6	21 6	12 0.2	219.9
April	16 6	21 0	12 0.2	215.0

\* Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended July. Bases are as follows :—  
1938-39—Average of shippers' limits for bulk and bagged lots, f.o.r. Sydney.

1946-47 to 1948-49—Basic export selling price of Australian Wheat Board. Average for bulk and bagged wheat, f.o.r., Sydney.

1949-50 to date—Selling prices of Australian Wheat Board for f.a.q. bulk wheat, f.o.b. Sydney (see † and ‡ below).

† Wheat sold under International Wheat Agreement. ‡ Wheat sold in excess of I.W.A. quota.

§ Wholesale price for f.a.q. bulk wheat, f.o.r. Sydney. Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended November.

|| Allowing for cost of bags and including governmental assistance to wheat growers. Pool season, generally year ended October.

|| Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended July.

### 34. Whole Milk Production, New South Wales

Period	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52p	1952-53p
Thousand gallons						
September Qr.	51,759	53,006	55,835	53,733	46,301	62,556
October	24,985	27,860	31,028	31,046	24,595	32,219
November	26,299	28,027	34,481	33,397	23,559	33,006
December	35,151	29,714	35,645	35,323	20,380	31,938
January	37,534	30,507	31,965	36,210	20,717	31,271
February	31,080	29,437	29,944	29,793	17,666	31,062
March	28,957	31,143	31,841	27,787	23,547	30,290
June Qr.	59,605	62,221	60,841	50,870	63,350	
Year ended June	295,370	291,915	311,580	298,159	240,115	
July—March	235,765	229,694	250,739	247,289	176,765	252,342

NOTE.—The annual average production for the five seasons ended 1939 was 331,963,000 gallons.

### 35. Butter : Prices, Export and Local, and Return to Farmer

Season	Export*	Sydney Wholesale	Net Return to farmer †	Month	Export*	Sydney Wholesale
s. d. per lb.						
1938-39	1 1.2	1 5	1 1	1952 : May	3 3.1	2 9.5
1945-46	1 7.8	1 5.9	1 8.3	October	3 6.0	3 8.8
1946-47	1 11.2	1 5.9	1 8.3	November	3 6.0	3 8.8
1947-48	2 3.3	1 7.5	1 11.9	December	3 6.0	3 8.8
1948-49	2 7.3	1 11.1	2 1.9	1953 : January	3 6.0	3 8.8
1949-50	2 9.6	1 11.1	2 4.5	February	3 6.0	3 8.8
1950-51	3 0.4	1 11.1	2 8.2	March	3 6.0	3 8.8
1951-52	3 3.1	2 7.2	3 6.1	April	3 6.0	3 8.8
1952-53	3 6.0	3 8.8	3 11p	May	3 6.0	3 8.8

\* United Kingdom contract price f.o.b. Australia (1938-39 excepted). † Average price paid for cream supplied to New South Wales factories, inclusive of government subsidy in 1945-46 and later years.

## 36. Oversea Trade, New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales			Australia		
	Merchandise					
	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports
£A million f.o.b.						
Year: 1938-39	49.9	37.7	(—) 12.2	113.2	121.5	8.3
1946-47	93.0	116.5	23.5	208.3	308.9	100.6
1947-48	150.4	134.7	(—) 15.7	338.1	405.0	66.9
1948-49	177.2	176.6	(—) 0.6	414.1	541.1	127.0
1949-50	214.0	216.6	2.6	536.1	611.6	75.5
1950-51	301.7	325.6	23.9	741.3	979.1	237.8
1951-52	426.8	193.9	(—) 232.9	1,049.7	665.2	(—) 384.5
1951-52 : July-Mar.	338.5	155.8	(—) 182.7	838.0	501.9	(—) 336.1
1952-53 : July-Mar.	155.7	185.7	30.0	380.9	623.1	242.2
1952: January	51.0	19.4	(—) 31.6	114.2	64.3	(—) 49.8
February	39.6	17.7	(—) 21.9	106.0	55.6	(—) 50.4
March	31.1	20.8	(—) 10.3	85.4	66.4	(—) 19.0
1953: January	19.3	19.8	0.5	44.7	66.8	22.1
February	17.7	22.1	4.4	41.5	65.0	23.5
March	18.0	28.6	10.6	44.2	90.0	45.8

(—) Denotes excess of Imports.

## 37. Wholesale Trade, New South Wales

\* Net sales of taxable and exempt goods by traders registered under Sales Tax Acts

Period	1945-46	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53
£ million								
September Qr.	62.7	80.5	89.9	111.3	109.9	157.4	209.7	176.7
October	21.6	25.6	30.3	36.5	43.6	57.8	68.6	61.7
November	} 37.3	23.8	32.1	38.3	39.3	44.9	56.3	62.1
December		26.9	33.6	34.5	50.2	61.1	81.7	60.4
January	17.0	21.1	24.5	31.3	38.3	52.4	62.3	53.8
February	21.1	25.6	29.7	38.6	47.7	50.1	65.0	64.4
March	21.5	23.5	32.3	34.8	41.2	62.0	58.8	
June Qr.	72.9	83.0	101.5	116.3	153.5	201.0	196.4	
Year ended June	254.1	310.0	373.9	441.6	523.7	686.7	798.8	
July-February	159.7	203.5	240.1	290.5	329.0	423.7	543.6	479.1

\* Exclusive of discounts, returns, etc. Figures in previous issues related to "gross" sales.

## 38. Retail Trade: Principal City Stores, Sydney

Compiled by Retail Traders' Association Research Bureau in conjunction with Commonwealth Bank

Period	Business Days in Period		Value of Net Sales	Value of Stock	Wages and Salaries Paid	Number of Employees*	Three months ended in month shown	
	Previous Year	Current Year					Value of Net Sales	Wages and Salaries Paid
	Number	Percentage increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with corresponding period of preceding year.						
Year: 1946	301	302	+ 32.2	+ 3.8	+ 28.0	+ 20.0		
1947	302	302	+ 18.7	+ 32.5	+ 21.5	+ 8.6		
1948	302	303	+ 16.3	+ 20.6	+ 20.6	+ 6.0		
1949	303	302	+ 6.8	+ 6.7	+ 13.8	+ 0.4		
1950	302	303	+ 16.8	+ 5.6	+ 11.7	+ 0.7		
1951	303	301	+ 22.7	+ 26.9	+ 32.8	+ 2.7		
1952	301	303	— 8.6	+ 9.0	+ 4.0	— 10.0		
1951: Oct.	25	26	+ 23.3	+ 34.1	+ 39.8	+ 2.1	+ 13.9	+ 33.4
Nov.	26	26	+ 12.9	+ 36.8	+ 37.2	+ 0.7	+ 13.7	+ 34.5
Dec.	24	23	+ 5.1	+ 37.8	+ 22.5	— 4.4	+ 13.1	+ 32.1
1952: Jan.	25	25	— 1.5	+ 41.0	+ 19.4	— 1.0	+ 5.6	+ 25.7
Feb.	24	25	+ 2.4	+ 35.0	+ 19.7	— 2.6	+ 2.3	+ 20.6
Mar.	24	26	— 11.0	+ 38.8	+ 7.1	— 2.4	— 4.3	+ 15.3
1952: Oct.	26	26	— 14.7	— 8.2	— 1.9	— 14.7	— 15.9	— 1.4
Nov.	26	25	— 11.9	— 14.0	— 10.8	— 15.8	— 12.3	— 3.7
Dec.	23	24	+ 9.5	— 20.2	— 2.0	— 14.1	— 5.3	— 4.9
1953: Jan.	25	25	— 5.5	— 23.9	— 7.1	— 12.6	— 1.9	— 6.4
Feb.	25	24	— 7.8	— 25.4	— 9.5	— 11.4	+ 0.3	— 6.0
Mar.	26	26	+ 0.6	— 26.1	— 2.3	— 10.0	— 3.8	— 6.3

\* Further particulars of monthly employment in retail trade are shown in Table 3.

**BANKING**

Since 1st October, 1951, 16 trading banks have conducted business in Australia. Of these, 12 operate in New South Wales, comprising the 7 major private trading banks, the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, the Rural Bank of N.S.W., and 3 oversea banks.

### 39. Trading Banks : Deposits and Assets in Australia Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Deposits	Balances due to other Banks	Cash Items	Treasury Bills	Government and Municipal Securities	Special Deposits with Commonwealth Bank	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted
£ million							
<b>MAJOR PRIVATE TRADING BANKS</b>							
1939 : June	318.0	n.a.	28.6	23.9	22.1	...	291.7
1945 : June	582.5	n.a.	36.5	46.5	104.3	241.8	207.9
1947 : June	648.3	2.5	34.4	13.8	80.6	275.4	289.7
1949 : June	817.4	49.8	40.0	11.1	62.5	381.2	383.3
1950 : June	1,004.9	45.8	51.1	20.2	96.5	442.8	427.2
1951 : June	1,237.7	63.2	50.5	32.8	93.0	569.6	509.5
1952 : June	1,122.9	48.0	61.2	35.8	62.6	303.3	691.2
1952 : January	1,218.3	72.4	67.7	33.6	59.0	483.6	638.6
February	1,228.5	58.6	64.4	31.3	62.0	458.5	654.6
March	1,241.3	54.9	64.4	37.9	67.6	436.5	664.1
1953 : January	1,171.6	3.4	91.9	157.8	91.3	167.5	616.0
February	1,218.9	2.4	89.3	188.4	96.5	193.6	604.1
March	1,272.6	3.6	81.7	211.0	101.1	228.6	593.9
<b>COMMONWEALTH BANK—GENERAL BANKING DIVISION</b>							
1947 : June	58.6	0.3	5.7	1.1	33.9	...	21.6
1949 : June	68.2	2.5	4.7	...	34.4	...	36.6
1950 : June	84.4	2.8	4.9	6.5	29.8	...	52.7
1951 : June	119.7	2.3	6.9	36.5	15.1	...	68.5
1952 : June	109.1	3.4	7.1	23.0	22.1	...	71.2
1952 : January	108.3	2.7	6.8	22.8	11.1	...	81.2
February	111.5	2.5	6.5	24.0	11.1	...	81.7
March	112.9	2.4	6.1	23.5	13.5	...	80.6†
1953 : January	117.5	3.7	23.6*	14.6	33.5	...	62.8
February	124.5	3.7	31.3*	20.6	25.8	...	61.6
March	131.9	4.1	34.9*	32.7	21.6	...	58.1†
<b>ALL TRADING BANKS</b>							
1947 : June	722.7	3.0	42.4	16.2	126.2	277.2	344.8
1949 : June	913.1	52.5	48.0	12.2	111.5	382.8	461.9
1950 : June	1,128.4	48.8	59.4	27.9	139.0	447.8	531.2
1951 : June	1,407.4	65.9	62.4	73.8	123.1	572.6	635.5
1952 : June	1,282.2	52.2	72.0	59.3	99.4	305.0	827.9
1952 : January	1,377.5	75.5	80.4	59.8	84.9	486.0	782.2
February	1,395.0	61.6	77.4	60.0	87.8	461.0	799.1
March	1,410.9	58.1	76.6	67.7	95.8	438.9	808.3
1953 : January	1,340.8	7.5	120.7	175.5	138.1	168.6	742.9
February	1,399.4	6.4	126.5	216.4	135.8	194.7	729.3
March	1,462.5	7.9	123.9	253.1	136.1	229.7	715.9

\* Includes special deposit with Central Bank.

† Between March and June, 1952, certain advances for housing were transferred to the Commonwealth Savings Bank in exchange for Government securities.

### 40. Trading Banks : Deposits and Advances in New South Wales Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Major Private Trading Banks			Commonwealth Bank*		All Trading Banks	
	Deposits		Total	Advances	Deposits	Advances	Deposits
	Not Bearing Interest	Bearing Interest					
£ million							
1947 : June	174.6	69.7	244.3	116.5	33.3	12.6	286.8
1949 : June	228.1	73.2	301.3	150.4	40.1	18.0	358.0
1950 : June	311.8	82.2	394.0	166.2	48.6	26.1	470.1
1951 : June	386.0	81.9	467.9	197.9	60.0	36.1	560.8
1952 : June	345.7	67.9	413.6	276.0	61.8	38.6	507.3
1952 : Jan.	377.1	76.0	453.1	252.7	59.9	40.5	546.0
Feb.	378.2	74.2	452.4	259.6	62.5	40.3	549.2
Mar.	380.9	72.6	453.5	262.2	62.9	40.7†	551.6
1953 : Jan.	367.3	66.8	434.1	246.5	66.7	27.1	534.1
Feb.	381.3	67.6	448.9	243.5	71.0	26.1	555.0
Mar.	393.3	67.7	461.0	238.4	74.9	25.3†	571.9

\* General Banking Division.

† See note † to Table 39.

#### 41. Trading Banks : Debits to Customers' Accounts, New South Wales

"Debits" refer to all trading banks operating in N.S.W., excluding accounts of Australian Governments at city banks and central banking business of the Commonwealth Bank.

Period	1946-47	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53
Weekly Average—£ million.							
July	56.3	66.6	79.2	91.2	121.3	159.3	149.0
August	51.8	60.6	71.0	80.9	109.2	141.9	130.1
September	57.1	64.4	77.4	88.0	126.3	153.0	143.0
October	57.2	67.8	81.5	99.0	135.5	163.0	152.7
November	58.1	72.5	82.0	107.9	147.9	170.5	159.8
December	59.4	71.0	87.7	112.2	158.0	175.9	173.8
January	51.9	59.6	74.8	96.8	131.6	146.2	124.6
February	58.5	72.1	83.5	108.7	161.1	155.3	156.2
March	59.9	68.6	83.9	118.6	160.0	152.1	162.4
April	59.8	69.7	82.5	108.8	161.1	153.3	149.7
May	62.8	75.0	92.8	122.6	167.3	155.9	
June	64.3	82.0	97.3	121.2	168.2	158.4	
Year	58.1	69.4	83.1	104.9	145.1	156.6	

#### 42. Savings Banks in New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales					Australia	
	Active Accounts*	Deposits	Interest Credited	Withdrawals	Depositors' Balances*	Active Accounts*	Depositors' Balances*
		Thousand	£ thousand			Thousand	£ thousand
1938-39	1,330	66,577	1,610	67,155	87,474	3,858	245,587
1945-46	1,911	191,112	3,801	156,874	236,242	5,467	663,554
1946-47	1,967	158,994	4,054	167,922	231,368	5,593	660,015
1947-48	2,013	160,875	3,991	159,270	236,964	5,728	681,318
1948-49	2,072	171,622	4,062	168,165	244,483	5,890	714,219
1949-50	2,138	201,479	4,208	191,296	258,874	6,105	762,087
1950-51	2,194	253,472	4,405	232,285	284,466	6,307	837,444
1951-52	2,247	261,966	4,829	246,729	304,532	6,494	891,998
1952 : February	2,217	20,730		19,138	296,916	6,426	872,425
March	2,227	22,061		21,264	297,713	6,434	873,856
April	2,233	21,416		19,810	299,319	6,452	876,871
1953 : February	2,254	20,270		19,412	312,705	6,565	921,717
March	2,261	24,239		23,154	313,790	6,587	925,043
April	2,267	21,179		21,637	313,332	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

\* At end of period.

**Savings Certificates.**—The issue of savings certificates ceased on 31st January, 1949. The net amount outstanding at 31st January, 1953, was £14,595,000 in New South Wales and £37,877,000 in Australia.

#### 43. Oversea Exchange Rates

Mean of Buying and Selling rates for telegraphic transfers quoted by Commonwealth Bank, average of daily rates.

Period	Australia on—							
	London	New Zealand	South Africa	Montreal	New York	France	Belgium	India
	£A. to £stg.100	£A. to £N.Z.100	£A. to £S.A.100	Canadian \$ to £A.1	U.S. \$ to £A.1	Francs to £A.1	Francs to £A.1	Rupees to £A.1
1938-39	125.25	100.33	124.70	3.79	3.78	141.75	111.58	10.69
1946-June	125.25	100.25	124.88	3.54	3.22	383.24	141.02	10.64
1949— "	125.25	124.27	124.88	3.22	3.22	875.85	141.02	10.64
1950— "	125.25	124.27	124.88	2.46	2.24	782.44	111.78	10.64
1951— "	125.25	124.27	124.88	2.39	2.24	782.44	111.78	10.64
1952— "	125.25	124.27	125.08	2.18	2.22	776.35	111.16	10.64
1953-April	125.25	124.27	125.08	2.12	2.25	788.63	112.09	10.64

## 44. Interest Rates, New South Wales

Period	Private First Mortgages Registered*		Yield on Commonwealth Government Securities†		Trading Banks‡				Savings Bank Deposit:‡		Treasury Bills‡ (Discount)	
	Urban	Rural			Fixed Deposits			Over-draft (Max.)	To £500	£500 to £1,000		
			Short-dated : 2 years	Long-dated : 12 years	3 months	24 months	To £10,000					
Per cent. per annum												
Year : 1938-39	5.5	5.1	3.67	3.85	2.00	3.00	3.00	5.75	2.00	1.75¶	1.75	
1945-46	4.7	4.4	2.18	3.24	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.75	2.00	1.00	1.00	
1947-48	4.4	4.3	2.34	3.17	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	1.00	
1948-49	4.4	4.3	2.07	3.15	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75	
1949-50	4.4	4.3	1.95	3.13	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75	
1950-51	4.4	4.3	1.99	3.21	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75	
1951-52	4.4	4.3	2.05	3.95	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75	
1952 : April	4.4	4.3	2.07	4.19	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75	
May	4.4	4.2	2.13	4.43	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75	
June	4.4	4.2	2.21	4.62	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75	
July	4.5	4.3	2.40	4.51	1.00	1.75	1.50	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75	
August	4.5	4.4	2.58	4.49	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00	
September	4.5	4.4	2.94	4.61	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00	
October	4.6	4.4	3.05	4.68	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00	
November	4.7	4.4	3.15	4.62	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00	
December	4.7	4.4	3.23	4.53	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00	
1953 : January	4.8	4.6	3.15	4.46	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00	
February	4.8	4.6	3.16	4.53	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00	
March	4.8	4.7	3.20	4.57	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00	
April	4.8	4.7	3.17	4.51	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00	

\* Average for year or for 3 months ended month shown.  
for year or as at last Wednesday in month.

† Compiled by Commonwealth Bank; average  
rate current at end of period.

¶ 1% per cent. to limit of £1,300 until March, 1942.

## 45. Index of Value of Shares on Sydney Stock Exchange

The index relates to the value of ordinary shares on the Sydney Stock Exchange of principal companies (excluding banks), whose business is conducted wholly or largely in New South Wales. The prices of individual shares are unweighted, and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £1 of paid-up capital. The aggregate index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of 24 miscellaneous shares. There is no base period as the index represents the ratio per cent. of the average prices of ordinary shares to their par values, adjustment being made for changes in capital structure.

Month	23 Manufacturing and Distributing Companies	10 Retail Companies	8 Public Utility Companies	5 Pastoral and Finance Companies	5 Insurance Companies	Total, 75* Companies	34 Active Shares included in foregoing
1939 : Aug.	212.6	168.2	156.0	118.2	263.9	174.4	181.9
1945 : Sept.	242.7	207.8	170.8	146.7	264.6	195.8	210.3
1949 : June	326.9	274.4	153.1	171.7	462.3	242.4	246.4
1950 : June	399.3	318.7	155.3	227.4	576.7	293.6	297.5
1951 : June	529.8	397.6	167.3	301.6	757.1	366.6	357.0
Dec.	426.2	303.6	153.5	232.5	743.7	301.4	290.7
1952 : Jan.	419.3	301.5	153.3	227.2	732.6	296.6	286.5
Feb.	395.0	282.8	152.0	213.6	702.3	281.9	270.3
Mar.	382.1	276.0	149.4	205.2	635.8	271.9	262.3
Apr.	353.6	263.6	148.9	193.5	598.0	257.7	248.0
May	363.1	262.6	150.1	194.5	584.0	260.1	253.5
June	358.2	257.1	154.4	189.0	580.5	256.7	250.7
July	366.8	259.1	154.3	199.1	570.3	259.7	258.1
Aug.	365.9	260.4	154.8	201.1	568.0	258.5	255.3
Sept.	356.2	256.4	156.5	197.9	565.2	253.2	249.6
Oct.	355.3	247.4	152.1	194.2	559.9	249.0	248.6
Nov.	352.7	246.0	151.9	188.6	566.9	247.6	247.4
Dec.	353.8	243.9	150.6	189.3	556.5	246.7	248.1
1953 : Jan.	365.7	258.5	151.3	195.1	551.7	253.6	257.7
Feb.	364.8	266.5	153.5	196.4	544.1	255.0	256.7
Mar.	365.7	270.8	153.1	195.2	537.9	255.6	254.6
Apr.	361.0	265.2	149.7	192.3	532.2	252.5	248.9

\* Including 24 miscellaneous companies.

#### 46. Real Estate Transactions and Crop, Wool, and Stock Mortgages Registered in New South Wales

Period	Real Estate Conveyances and Transfers		Mortgages*	Crop Liens	Wool Liens†	Livestock Mortgages †
	Number		£ thousand			
Year : 1938-39	50,295	35,272	25,068	1,908	3,064	1,736
1947-48	79,694	60,202	30,924	460	2,100	2,011
1948-49	86,201	62,229	32,518	333	2,391	2,768
1949-50	105,589	125,952	57,382	460	3,115	2,845
1950-51	108,732	192,311	70,600	309	4,828	3,482
1951-52	95,857	179,581	77,211	514	4,371	3,578
1951-52 : July-April	81,528	154,684	65,512	438	3,617	3,182
1952-53 : July-April	67,617	116,302	56,923	415	2,655	1,991
1952: February	7,473	13,659	5,972	83	280	239
March	7,546	13,470	5,742	28	311	167
April	6,289	12,220	4,875	35	281	157
1953 : February	6,538	11,630	4,900	19	181	172
March	7,766	13,072	5,649	39	238	165
April	7,132	12,519	4,441	64	336	206

\* As consideration is not recorded in many mortgages, the amount is understated; it relates to mortgages in fixed amounts for fixed periods and excludes fluctuating advances secured by mortgage. † Loans secured by both lien on wool and mortgage on sheep are included under both headings.

#### 47. Life Assurance, New South Wales

##### (a) New Policies issued (exclusive of annuities)\*.

Period	Ordinary Department		Industrial Department		Total Sum Assured £ thousand
	Policies	Sum Assured	Policies	Sum Assured	
	Number	£ thousand	Number	£ thousand	
Year†: 1939	50,520	18,179	156,787	7,540	25,719
1947	98,149	43,268	115,181	10,241	53,509
1948	99,282	47,956	115,336	11,076	59,032
1949	94,665	49,357	113,568	11,332	60,689
1950	98,015	58,666	106,754	11,136	69,802
1951	101,683	78,187	97,361	11,526	89,713
1952‡	106,352	79,956	101,327	13,491	93,447
1951 : November	11,265	7,407	8,262	1,046	8,453
December	11,322	10,534	6,126	778	11,312
1952 : January	5,893	3,880	3,328	408	4,288
February	6,911	4,814	8,074	1,021	5,835
1952 : November	9,547	7,009	8,509	1,184	8,193
December	10,130	10,230	6,134	878	11,108
1953 : January	5,688	4,317	3,204	428	4,745
February	6,952	5,072	8,001	1,053	6,125

\* Includes operations of Government Insurance Office of New South Wales. † Annual figures are aggregates of yearly returns for "various balance" dates (mainly in September or December of year specified). ‡ Total of monthly figures.

##### (b) New Loans Granted by Life Assurance Companies in New South Wales\* (exclusive of advances of premiums).

Period	On Mortgage of Real Estate	On Companies' Policies	On Other Securities	Total Loans Granted
£ thousand				
Year : 1947	2,799	789	1,452	5,040
1948	5,828	861	2,540	9,229
1949	9,264	931	2,913	13,108
1950	16,184	1,117	3,873	21,174
1951	20,433	1,228	4,935	26,596
1952	16,506	1,771	3,470	21,747
1951 : November	1,472	127	406	2,005
December	1,528	106	405	2,039
1952 : January	1,589	106	273	1,968
February	1,077	132	328	1,537
1952 : November	1,809	141	215	2,165
December	1,963	153	357	2,473
1953 : January	1,076	109	129	1,314
February	1,162	126	183	1,471

\* The Government Insurance Office of New South Wales is not included.

## 48. Commonwealth Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE				EXPENDITURE				
		July-April				July-April		
Item		1951-52	1952-53	Item		1951-52	1952-53	
		£ thousand				£ thousand		
<b>Taxes—</b>								
Customs ... ... ... ...	98,697	57,895		Social Services*—				
Excise ... ... ... ...	82,891	94,848		Invalid, Age Pensions ...	48,356	60,142		
Sales ... ... ... ...	77,847	73,864		Child Endowment ...	41,808	43,547		
Income Tax and Social Services Contribution ... ... ... ...	297,437	372,889		Hospital Benefits ...	5,653	5,529		
Wool Deduction ... ... ... ...	8,361	(—)2,150		Other ...	17,967	25,878		
Payroll ... ... ... ...	30,637	33,153		Total, Social Services*	113,784	135,096		
Estate ... ... ... ...	6,447	6,799	To States—					
Entertainments ... ... ... ...	5,056	5,581	Tax Reimbursements ...	87,871	99,546			
Other ... ... ... ...	3,236	2,061	Other ...	32,803	38,626			
Total Taxes ... ... ... ...	610,609	644,940	Capital Works ...	82,137	82,263			
Post Office ... ... ... ...	47,916	53,339	Post Office† ...	48,055	53,749			
Broadcasting ... ... ... ...	2,080	3,094	Broadcasting† ...	3,646	4,040			
Railways ... ... ... ...	1,917	2,308	Railways† ...	2,388	2,875			
Territories ... ... ... ...	1,245	1,354	Territories† ...	7,427	7,085			
Other ... ... ... ...	11,855	21,854	Defence Services ...	118,674	162,843			
Primary Production† ... ... ... ...	675,622	726,889	War Services, 1941-48 & 1939-45‡	41,536	46,900			
	14,372	50,663	Subsidies ...	26,440	21,232			
Total Revenue ... ... ... ...	689,994	777,552	Debt Charges ...	61,714	63,824			
			Other ...	57,338	59,730			
			Primary Production†	14,372	50,663			
			Total Expenditure	698,185	827,472			

\* Actual Expenditure from National Welfare Fund.

† Self-balancing items.

‡ Excluding debt charges.

Expenditure from Loan Fund for War and Reparation in the ten months ended April (£3,826,000 in 1951-52, and £4,156,000 in 1952-53), is included above. Other loan expenditure in this period consisted of Advances to States for Housing, £22,164,000 in 1951-52 and £23,020,000 in 1952-53.

Commonwealth Treasury Bills on issue in Australia at the end of April amounted to £243,280,000 in 1952 and £280,000,000 in 1953.

## 49. New South Wales Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE				EXPENDITURE				
		July-April				July-April		
Item		1951-52	1952-53	Item		1951-52	1952-53	
		£ thousand				£ thousand		
<b>Governmental—</b>								
From Commonwealth—				Interest, Exchange, Sinking Fund and Loan Management ...	16,310	17,623		
Towards Interest ... ... ... ...	2,431	2,431	Less—Recoups from other Activities ...	1,661	1,731			
Reimbursement of Taxes ... ... ... ...	35,125	39,590	Net Debt Charges ...	14,649	15,892			
Stamp and Probate Duty ... ... ... ...	10,594	10,897	Other than Debt Charges—					
Other Taxes ... ... ... ...	2,256	2,862	Governmental ... ... ...	54,732	61,435			
Land ... ... ... ...	3,865	3,607	Business Undertakings—					
Services ... ... ... ...	2,294	3,455	Railways ... ... ...	51,071	56,126			
Other ... ... ... ...	7,661	9,082	Trams and Buses ...	10,671	11,558			
Total Governmental ... ... ... ...	64,226	71,924	Sydney Harbour ...	1,225	1,261			
Business Undertakings—			Total Expenditure	132,348	146,272			
Railways ... ... ... ...	53,590	61,555						
Trams and Buses ... ... ... ...	9,067	9,829						
Sydney Harbour ... ... ... ...	1,890	1,742						
Total Revenue ... ... ... ...	128,773	145,050						

Loan Expenditure on works and services in the ten months ended April was gross £44,959,000 and net (i.e., gross less repayments to loan account) £43,596,000 in 1951-52, compared with gross £41,068,000 and net £39,682,000 in 1952-53.

### 50. Australian Export Price Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician from prices of twenty commodities which normally constitute about 80 per cent. of all Australian exports. The prices are multiplied by the average annual exports (production in the case of gold) in the years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Wool	Wheat	Butter	Metals*	Meats†	All Groups ‡	
						Excluding Gold	Including Gold
§ (a)	45.63	17.06	11.36	6.83	6.63	...	100.00
§ (b)	49.05	18.34	12.21	7.34	7.13	100.00	...
Year : 1938-39	79	66	101	84	96	82	83
1945-46	117	213	147	196	123	148	146
1947-48	287	120	193	372	146	296	283
1948-49	365	413	233	478	171	348	332
1949-50	473	400	250	421	196	399	383
1950-51	999	432	271	689	209	690	654
1951-52	564	436	291	811	263	495	473
1951 : March	1,437	428	271	739	208	912	860
June	717	447	271	751	219	562	535
September	498	445	291	862	237	465	445
December	581	432	291	860	271	506	484
1952 : March	460	432	291	817	273	445	427
June	566	432	291	641	273	483	463
September	551	432	313	603	294	477	457
October	588	432	313	501	321	490	469
November	588	432	313	501	321	490	469
December	618	448pr	313	510	321	508pr	485pr
1953 : January	618	448pr	313	509	321	508pr	485pr
February	626	448pr	313	475	321	509pr	486pr
March	656p	448p	313	463	321	522p	499p

\* Non-ferrous—Silver, copper, tin, zinc, lead.      † Beef, lamb, mutton, pork.      ‡ Includes also sugar, dried fruits, tallow, and hides.      § Percentage distribution of base aggregate for "All Groups" (a) including Gold and (b) Excluding Gold.

### 51. Wholesale Price (Basic Materials and Foodstuffs) Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. Prices are drawn mainly from Melbourne sources. Apart from locally produced building materials, and one or two minor commodities, the price movements may be taken as representative of variations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets.

From August, 1950, to 30th June, 1951, a bounty was paid on raw wool purchased for local manufacture. The effective price, that is the open market (auction room) price less bounty, has been used in calculating the index numbers in this table.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Metals and Coal	Textiles	Building Materials	Total Basic Materials	Foodstuffs and Tobacco	Goods Principally Imported*	Goods Principally Home-produced	Total, All Groups
Year : 1938-39	103	82	97	99	103	99	102	101
1945-46	130	152	177	149	135	178	126	141
1947-48	146	283	190	166	153	192	145	159
1948-49	185	342	198	188	175	201	173	181
1949-50	214	434	225	214	198	223	198	205
1950-51	256	641	268	264	232	256	242	246
1951-52	343	577	370	321	281	288	305	300
1952 : Jan.	346	605	365	322	266	286	294	292
Feb.	363	560	394	331	280	295	307	304
Mar.	365	504	394	330	289	295	313	308
Apr.	370	517	395	332	294	296	318	312
May	379	559	433	347	294	301	325	318
June	379	570	433	349	298	301	330	321
July	392	570	435	354	304	301	337	327
Aug.	394	577	418	351	303	294	338	325
Sept.	399	566	418	352	295	294	333	321
Oct.	390	589	418	352	283	295	322	314
Nov.	390	589	420	352	280	294	321	313
Dec.	390	609	420	353	291	296	329	319
1953 : Jan.	389	608	420	353	288	295	327	317
Feb.	391	611	391	348	288	287	327	315
Mar.	393	640p	391	350p	287	288	328p	316p

\* Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index. This Index does not measure changes in import prices generally.

**52. Wholesale Price Index Numbers, Certain Countries**  
 Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100.

Period	Australia	New Zealand	South Africa	United Kingdom		Canada	United States	France
	Commonwealth Statistician	Govern-ment Statistician	Census and Statistics Office	Board of Trade	Economist	Dominion Statistician *	Bureau of Labor Statistics	Inst. Nat. de la Stat.
Year : 1938-39	101	102	100	96	93	95	95	112
1945-46	141	157	159	167	161	132	133	534
1947-48	159	173	174	203	205	175	191	451
1948-49	181	180	186	218	218	195	194	2032
1949-50	205	184	195	237	235	195	186	2196
1950-51	246	210	216	288	283	224	211	123†
1951-52	300	243	252	321	297	229	213	145
1951 : June	277	226	233	314	299	237	218	138
Sept.	291	231	238	318	293	234	214	138
Dec.	294	243	256	323	301	232	215	152
1952 : Mar.	308	250	261	325	299	225	212	149
Apr.	312	251	262	322	297	221	211	147
May	318	250	265	320	294	219	211	145
June	321	251	266	320	297	221	210	143
July	327	251	268	320	296	220	211	144
Aug.	325	251 r	270	317	293	219	212	144
Sept.	321	255	270	315	293	217	211	143
Oct.	314	258	272	319	290	216	210 r	140 r
Nov.	313	256	274	317	290	217	209	140
Dec.	319	256	273	320	293	216	207	140 r
1953 : Jan.	317	n.y.a.	271 p	320 r	291	n.y.a.	208 r	141
Feb.	315	n.y.a.	266 p	317 pr.	292	n.y.a.	207	139
Mar	316 p	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	318 p	293 p	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.

\* New Series.

† New Series. Base : 1949=100.

**53. Retail Price Index Numbers ("C" Series)**  
 Base : Weighted Average for six Capital Cities in 1923-27=1000  
 (a) Sydney (Group Indexes and "All Items")

Quarter	Food and Groceries	Rent, 4 and 5 Rooms	Clothing	Miscellaneous Items	Total "All Items"	
					Index Number	Increase from Sept. Qr., 1939 Per cent.
1939 : September	930	1039	841	939	933	..
1945 : June	1040	1043	1410	1163	1141	22
1947 : June	1096	1044	1540	1187	1194	28
1948 : June	1235	1046	1748	1267	1305	40
1949 : June	1384	1048	1980	1347	1425	53
1950 : June	1518	1049	2307	1446	1564	68
1951 : March	1826	1051	2541	1565	1749	88
June	1943	1051	2819	1689	1875	101
September	2226	1053	2900	1753	2007	115
December	2401	1056	2964	1836	2100	125
1952 : March	2526	1059	3025	1877	2167	132
June	2727	1089	3098	1997	2284	145
September	2705	1137	3125	2020	2298	146
December	2657	1188	3214	2024	2312	148
1953 : March	2664	1245	3246	2039	2338	151

## (b) Districts of New South Wales ("All Items")

Quarter	Sydney	Newcastle	Broken Hill	Goulburn	Bathurst	Five Towns*
1939 : September	933	897	943	914	881	930
1945 : June	1141	1099	1193	1111	1089	1138
1947 : June	1194	1150	1237	1160	1147	1191
1948 : June	1305	1263	1364	1271	1263	1302
1949 : June	1425	1393	1504	1421	1393	1424
1950 : June	1564	1519	1646	1555	1522	1562
1951 : March	1749	1724	1834	1739	1707	1748
June	1875	1853	1939	1858	1825	1874
September	2007	1957	2031	1991	1954	2003
December	2100	2071	2182	2096	2040	2099
1952 : March	2167	2115	2246	2148	2094	2164
June	2284	2231	2360	2277	2228	2281
September	2298	2241	2390	2253	2263	2295
December	2312	2248	2379	2248	2289	2308
1953 : March	2338	2268	2385	2260	2317	2332

\* Weighted average for foregoing five towns.

### 54. Basic Wage : Sydney, Adult Males

Month of Change.	Amount per week.						
1939: June	82	1943: Feb.	98	1946: Aug.	100	1950: Feb.	135
Sept.	81	May	98	Nov.	101	May	138
Dec.	82	Aug.	100	Dec.*	108	Aug.	142
1940: Feb.	82	Nov.	99	1947: Feb.	108	Nov.	146
May	83	1944: Feb.	99	May	110	Dec.*	165
Aug.	85	May	99	Aug.	110	1951: Feb.	173
Nov.	85	Aug.	99	Nov.	112	May	180
1941: Feb.	88	1945: Feb.	99	1948: Feb.	114	Aug.	193
May	88	May	98	May	116	Nov.	207
Aug.	89	Aug.	98	Aug.	120	1952: Feb.	216
Nov.	89	Nov.	99	Nov.	122	May	223
1942: Feb.	91	1946: Feb.	99	1949: Feb.	124	Aug.	235
May	93	May	99	May	127	Nov.	237
Aug.	95	Aug.	99	Aug.	130	1953: Feb.	238
Nov.	97	May	99	Nov.	132	May	241

\* As a result of judgments of the Commonwealth Arbitration Court, special increases were awarded: in December, 1946, 7s. and in December, 1950, 19s.

**Female Wages.**—The minimum wage per week payable (Sydney) to adult females was:—

1950: Dec. 123s. 6d.

1951: Feb. 129s. 6d.

1952: Feb. 162s.

1953: Feb. 178s. 6d.

May 135s.

May 167s.

May 180s. 6d.

Aug. 144s. 6d.

Aug. 176s.

Nov. 155s.

Nov. 177s. 6d.

### 55. Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rates and Average Weekly Hours of Labour, New South Wales

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. The nominal wage and hour figures are in course of revision. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms.

End of Month	Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rate				Average Weekly Standard Working Hours	
	Amount—shillings		Index Number		Adult Males	Adult Females
	Adult Males	Adult Females	Adult Males*	Adult Females†		
1939 : Sept.	95.8	52.7	1870	1939	44.0	43.9
1945 : Sept.	121.1	72.3	2362	2660	43.5	43.9
1947 : June‡	132.7	82.3	2589	3029	43.5	43.9
Dec.	141.3	84.3	2757	3103	41.1	41.8
1948 : June§	149.1	92.4	2909	3403	40.0	40.0
Dec.	159.8	100.0	3117	3681	40.0	40.0
1949 : June	165.4	103.5	3227	3811	40.0	40.0
Dec.	171.9	108.1	3355	3979	40.0	40.0
1950 : June	179.3	114.3	3499	4207	40.0	40.0
Dec.	209.5	139.9	4088	5151	40.0	40.0
1951 : June	228.6	151.0	4461	5559	40.0	40.0
Sept.	240.2	156.0	4686	5742	40.0	40.0
Dec.	255.0	171.1	4974	6297	40.0	40.0
1952 : Mar.	263.5	178.3	5141	6563	40.0	40.0
June	270.4	183.1	5277	6739	40.0	40.0
Sept.	281.7	191.8	5496	7062	40.0	40.0
Dec.	284.7	193.9	5555	7139	40.0	40.0
1953 : Mar.p	285.6	194.6	5573	7162	40.0	40.0

\* Base : Weighted average for Australia in April, 1911 (5ls. 3d.) = 1000.  
Australia in April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) = 1000.

† Base: Weighted average for Forty-hour week under State awards from 1st July, 1947.

‡ Forty-hour week under Commonwealth awards from 1st January, 1948.

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